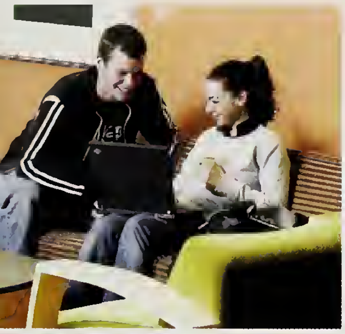
# merri
# mack
# an

2006-2007

# Merrimack College 2007



Sharon Broussard first came to Merrimack in 1965 to begin her freshman year. She was crowned "Miss Merrimack" in 1968 and graduated with a degree in Humanities in 1969. She later returned to her alma mater, where she has worked in various departments over the years, mostly in Hamel Health as a counselor.

Sharon is someone who brightens people's days just by walking into the room. Her ethic of care is greater than most, and she truly listens to her students when they speak with her. She has helped countless students during her time at Merrimack, whether it be in her counseling position in Hamel Health or in her daily interactions with students on campus.

No matter where Sharon has worked, she has always been involved with student life on campus over the years. She has advised countless student events and off-campus trips, served on awards and scholarships committees, and this year, served as the advisor to the 2007 Senior Class Council.

Under Sharon's direction, the Class Council organized seven senior trips throughout the course of the year. Sharon attended weekly meetings as often as she could, advised a number of their trips, and helped the council recruit additional advisors. She supported their ideas, and together the Class Council and Sharon made senior year more memorable for the entire class.

The Class of 2007 would like to thank Sharon, not only for all the work she has done with their class, but for her support of all the students at Merrimack.

The Class of 2007 would like to dedicate this book to Sharon (Shelhimer) Broussard '69.

# Dedicated to...

## Sharon Broussard

Welcome to
the 2007
Senior
Formal
Sheraton Colonial

Dear Graduating Class of 2007:

Congratulations on receiving your degree! The Merrimack College community celebrates your accomplishments and wishes you much success. The road before you is wide open, full of twists and turns, just waiting to be explored. The education you received at Merrimack is now part of who you are and will provide the stable foundation needed on your journey.

Education is a constant in all of our lives. Whether you are starting a professional career or continuing on to graduate school, you are at the beginning of a new chapter in a very unique book – the story of your life. As you write this new chapter, recognize that each and every day, a new lesson presents itself. Welcome these opportunities and embrace them.

I am confident that no matter what road you choose to travel, you have the skills to not only realize your goals, but also to exceed your expectations. Time has a way of fitting the pieces of our lives together in unexpected ways, so take chances, explore the unexpected, and pursue your wildest dreams. You are ready, well prepared, and when you write your final chapter you will have no regrets.

Merrimack College will always be a chapter (or two) in your story, just as each of you will always be a part of Merrimack's story. Seek us out to continue your education, to share what you have learned, to offer support and encouragement.

Best wishes for a wonderfully successful future. God bless, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely

Richard J. Santagat
Presiden

# President

# Richard Santagati

# Seniors

Nicole
Abbondandolo

Jaclyn
Alexander

Michael
Alexiou

Stephanie
Alliette

Jeanna
Alunni

Julie
Anderson

Vanessa
Anderson

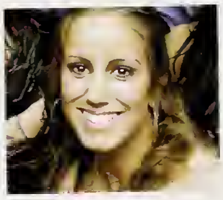
Emily
Angel

Elizabeth
Ariemma

Jon-Paul
Ascenzo

Natalya
Atlasevich

Alyssa
Barbetta



Elaine
Barkosky

Maureen
Baxter

Corey
Bean

Gregory
Beaulieu

Maureen
Becker

Caterina
Benitez

Valerie
Berlinghieri

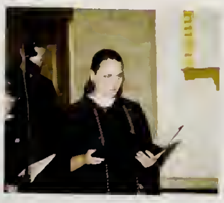
Michael
Bevilacqua

Mark
Bilotta

Justin
Bishop

Ashley
Bistran

Jesse
Boillat



Joseph
Boland

Cara
Bonci

Kristen
Bouchie

Aimee
Boulanger

Shawna
Brackett

Monica
Bradley

Scott
Braid

Kara
Brennan

Christina
Brissette

Christine
Britt

Danielle
Brodeur

Matthew
Broskie

Andrea
Bruno

Joel
Bucci

Kerry
Buckley

Kristin
Buckley

Brendan
Burke

Meghan
Burke

Jillian
Butler

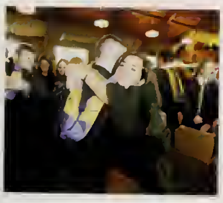
Alicia
Cafarelli

Jenna
Caldwell

Devin
Callinan

Rebecca
Campion

Alicia
Canestri



Joseph
Caparrella, Jr.

Francis
Capuano

Christopher
Caron

Heather
Carr

Susanne
Carter

Laura
Carvalho

Amy
Cassavoy

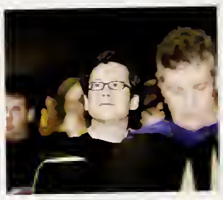
Christopher
Celli

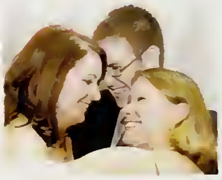
Peter
Chaloner

Michael
Cherpak

Megan
Church

Meghan
Clancy





Matthew
Clermont

Colin
Coleman

Kevin
Conley

Brian
Contona

Kelli
Corbelle

Michael
Corbishley

Kelly
Criss

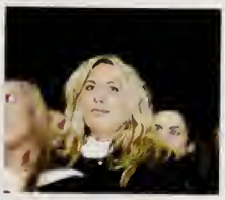
Gregory
Crist

Danielle
Crowley

Amanda
Cummings

Caitlin
Cunha

Jessica
Cyr



Monica
D'Angelo

Alison
Dadona

Amanda
Daigle

Rebecca
Dame

Christopher
Decarlo

Katie
Delaney

Robert
Delehanty

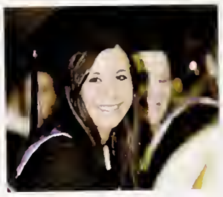
Danielle
Demoree

Kristen
Denecke

Daliza
Deoleo

Krista
Dicker

Katie
Dinh



Matthew
Ditillio

Katherine
Doherty

Colleen
Dolan

Daniel
Donell

Timothy
Donovan

Erika
Downing

Emily
Doyle

Terrance
Doyle

Megan
Duffy

Brian
Dumont

Jenna
Dupre

Robert
Eardley

Paul
Ebbighausen

Adam
Elias

Kimberly
Fanelli

Grace
Farnham

Lauren
Favorite

Jacqueline
Fazioli

Christina
Feeney

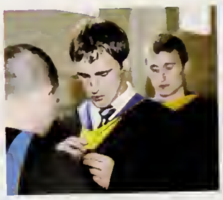
Susan
Ferguson

Lauren
Fitzgerald

Laura
Fleming

Amy
Flynn

Rory
Flynn



Aiden
Forde

Michelle
Foreman

Amy
Forster

Allison
Frazier

Matthew
Freitag

Joseph
Fruci

Nicholas
Gabriello

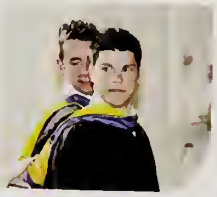
Aidan
Garcia

Charity
Garlasco

Leah
Gary

Jonathan
Gately

Frank
Gazzola III



Matthew
Giacoppo

Megan
Gibbs

Anthony
Gigante

Adam
Gilbert

Keri
Gilbert

Elizabeth
Gionfriddo

Matthew
Giordano

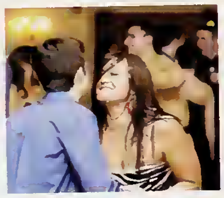
David
Golden

Meghan
Grady

Patrick
Graham

Shannon
Graham

Nicole
Grasso



Paul
Greco

Kathleen
Griffin

Ashley
Grimes

Kristin
Hamel

Tara
Hancock

Laura
Hansbury

John
Harrigan

Maureen
Harrington

George
Hashem

Kaitlin
Haverty

Jillian
Hayes

Robert
Hayes

James
Healey

Scott
Herman

Laura
Hewson

Danielle
Hinman

Christopher
Hoffman

Rebecca
Hofmann

Ariana
Holmes

Meghan
Horan

Daniel
Hrobak

Katherine
Hughes

Alyssa
Hurley

Ryanne
Hurley

Philip
Hyde

Alicia
Hyder

Drew
Inganamort

Jennifer
James

Nicole
Jaques

Annah
Jordan

Bandar
Kaki

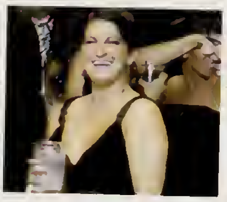
Jeffrey
Kalinoski

Briana
Kane

Mary
Karasczkiewicz

Megan
Keating

Raeann
Keeley



Kathleen
Keeman

Matthew
Kennedy

Daniel
Kent

Mark
Keras

Sultan
Khayat

Kori Anne
Kindya

Jacqueline
King

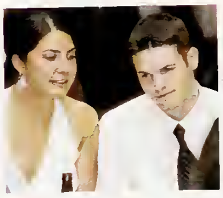
John
Klipfel

Jennifer
Knightly

Rachel
Kollet

Marina
Kontos

Denise
Kruglik



Brent
Laflamme

Adam
Lagasse

Adam
Lagrassa

Kevin
Lake

Krista
Lambroukos

Matthew
Larrabee

Jennifer
Lebretton

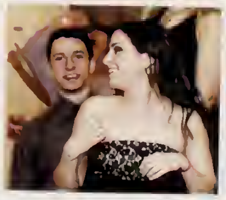
Meghan
Lee

Matt
Leland

Lee
Lemoine

Cassandra
Leone

Derek
Levesque



Clarissa
Lewis

Kathryn
Lightbown

Joelle
Lindermuth

Jaclyn
Lombardo

Jennifer
Longwell

Marlenny
Lopez

Nicholas
Loring

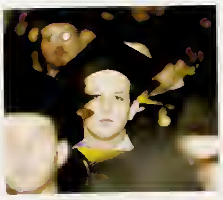
Brendan
Lowell

Kevin
Loyer

Nikki
Lua

Katie
Lyons

Mary
Lyons



Jean
MacCune

Katherine
MacKenzie

Adam
Maganzini

Katrina
Magoon

Jill
Maguire

Eric
Malinowski

Steven
Mallory

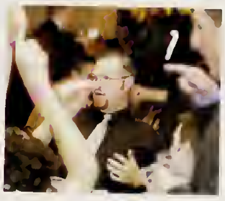
Samuel
Maloof

Sarah
Mandracchia

Michelle
Manning

John
Masci

Ryan
Masciarelli



Thomas
McCarthy

Jeffrey
McKee

Ashley
McKinney

David
McLaughlin

Ryan
McLean

Jeffrey
Medor

Matthew
Mikaitis

Amanda
Miller

Justin
Mills

Sarah
Mills

Alison
Mincarelli

Alexandra
Morales

Fernando
Morales III

Jessica
Moreira

Stephanie
Moro

Kristin
Morrissey

Brian
Moynihan

Megan
Moynihan

Jennifer
Munroe

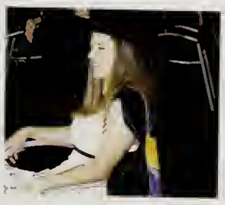
Drew
Murphy

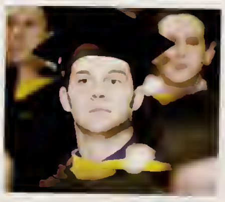
Vincent
Murphy

Meghan
Murtagh

Muthoni
Ngugi

Thomas
Nielsen





Karen
Nigrelli

Christina
Norris

James
Nugent

Robert
O'Brien IV

Megan
O'Connor

Eileen
O'Donnell

Brian
O'Neill

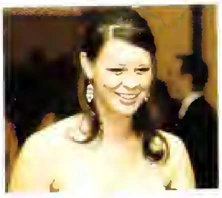
Shannon
O'Shea

Sarah
Olejarz

Alexander
Oliver

Christina
Owen

Kassandra
Pappas



Michael
Parent

Michelle
Parisi

Patricia
Pasquariello

Nicole
Paulitzky

Crystal
Payer

Samantha
Peczka

Alan
Pepin

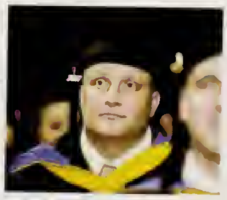
Jenna
Pierce

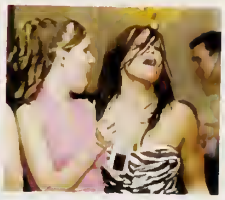
Jessica
Pierce

Paul
Pisani, Jr.

Stephen
Ploszay

Yuri
Popovic, Jr.





Carmen
Posteraro

Jennifer
Powers

Kristen
Puddister

Jennifer
Puleo

Scott
Pytlik

Megan
Quill

Khushbu
Rana

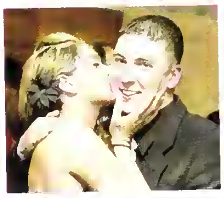
Brian
Reilly

Katherine
Reissfelder

Amanda
Reyes

Jamie
Rice

Andrew
Richardson



McKenzie
Ridings

Christine
Ringger

Adrienne
Robbie

Julianne
Robillard

Patrick
Robillard

Daniel
Roderick

Danielle
Romeo

Michael
Rosenblatt

Anne
Rounce

Amy
Rowe

Megan
Rushford

Angela
Russo

Daniel
Ryan

Meghan
Ryan

Jennifer
Salamone

Marissa
Sanseverino

Gregory
Santino

Lyndi
Savastano

Alysandra
Schmal

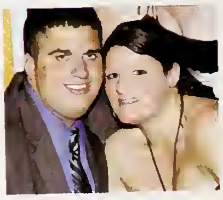
Patricia
Schmal

Christopher
Schubert

Katie
Scurrah

Katherine
Seero

Julie
Seni



Roberto
Sestito

Nathaphol
Sethameteekul

Emily
Sherlock

Kerianne
Sherman

Stephanie
Silva

Vanessa
Silva

Christina
Silvestro

Thomas
Sipsey

Kerri
Smith

Charlotte
Smyth

Nicole
Snizek

Ashley
Solomon

Jennifer
Sotomayor

Angela
Sousa

Claire
Spadoni

C. Ryan
Spinello

James
Stalley

Robert
Stalley

Caitlin
Stephan

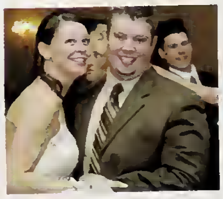
Kathryn
Stephens

Jennifer
Strachan

Brittney
Sullivan

Kelli
Sullivan

Laura
Sullivan



Michael
Sullivan

Lauren
Sykes

Christopher
Szeto

Elizabeth
Taddei

Michael
Taddeo

Jessica
Talbot

Michael
Tartaglia

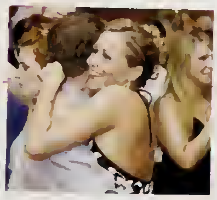
James
Tavares

Matthew
Termini

Greta
Thomsen

Donald
Tibbetts

Kevin
Toomey



Tracey
Topor

Zachary
Tracey

Katherine
Tullis

Jamie
Turcotte

Karolina
Turrell

Michael
Tyman

Christina
Tzovaras

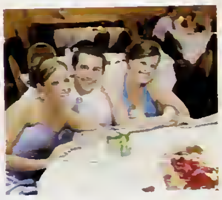
Tracy
Vadala

David
Valcourt

Vanessa
Valley

Alanna
Vancor

Ross
Venuti



Robert
Wedge

Renee
Wertz

Ryan
West

Gilbert
Wieboldt

Patrick
Williams

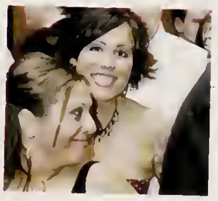
Jessica
Williamson

Laura
Winkler

Kymberley
Wood

Tiffany
Yip

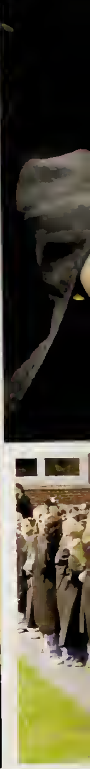
Maria
Yu



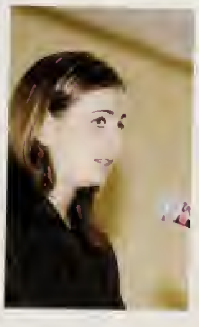
# Convocation

East Pass

Merrimack



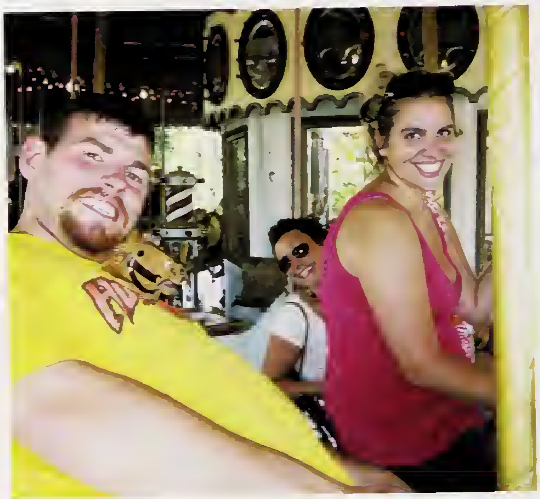
TKE
TKE



Convoc

On September 16th the seniors met at Cascia Hall to check in for our first senior trip. The buses were loaded and we made the trip to Agawam. The weather was perfect: sunny and warm. Seniors rode the rides, filled up on cotton candy and ice cream, and spent the day with their friends.

100 Days 'til Graduation Celebration was held on Friday February 9th in the Sakowich Campus Center. It was a huge success with approximately 300 seniors who attended. The Sak was shut down and there were various activities on the first floor. Activities included moon bounce, big screen guitar hero, karaoke, bar, food, DJ, caricatures, and pictures.



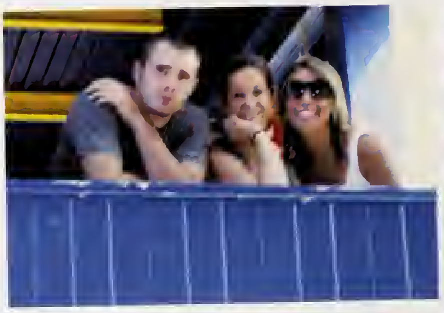
# senior trips

LONDON
1974
UK

six flags
100 days
celtics game
new york city
stevens estate

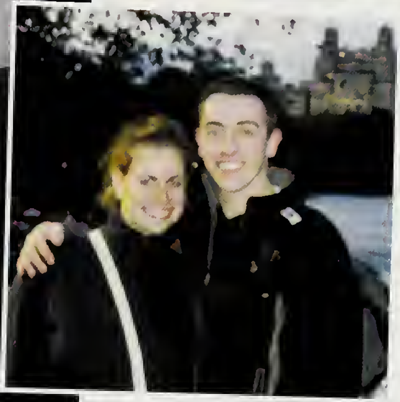
The slideshow, toast, and barbeque at Stevens Estate marked the end of a year of amazing events for the senior class. The day began at the Roger's Center where the slideshow presentation took a look back at all of our memories over our past four years at Merrimack, while the toast gave President Santagati the opportunity to introduce the Class of 2007 as the newest alumni of the college. From there, the seniors moved to the Stevens Estate where the weather could not have been more perfect for the final barbeque to capstone our experience at Merrimack. The Estate was full of great food, drinks, and good times with some of our best friends and favorite faculty and administration, not to mention the intense wiffle ball and kickball games that lasted throughout the night. As the event came to a close though, it was clear that it was bittersweet for everyone, knowing that the end of school and the beginning of our lives were coming closer. Nevertheless, the slideshow, toast, and barbeque were an incredible tribute to the senior class and the memories that we have created over the past four years that no one will be able to forget.

NOTRE
MERRIM



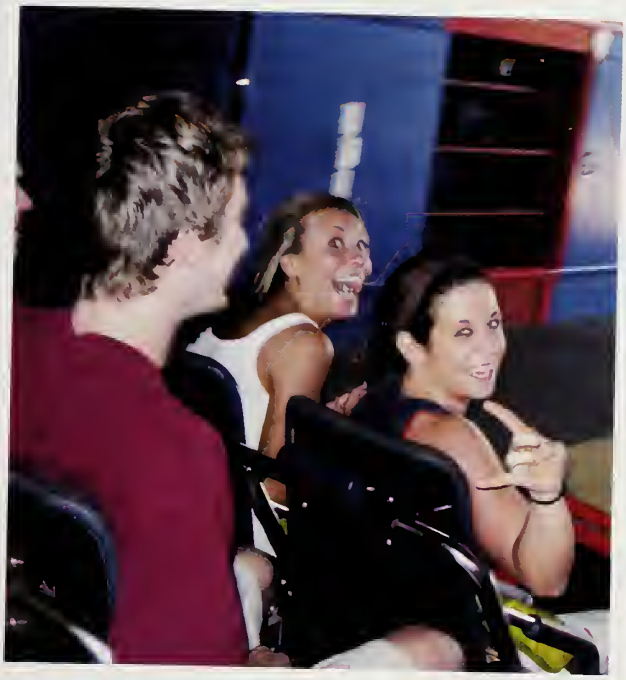
Do not
MetroCard

Broadway
MERRIMACK
ERRIMACK



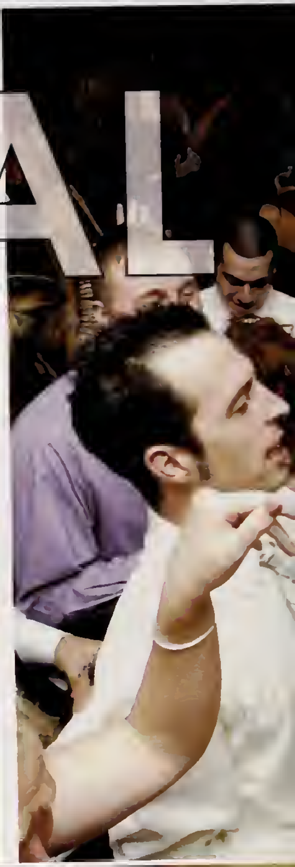
On Friday November 17th, 180 seniors were bussed from Merrimack College into Boston. Right when we got to the Garden we were welcomed generously on the Jumbo Tron. The Celtics did a wonderful job ntroducing us to the crowd and making us feel welcome. Together, we cheered on not only the Boston Celtics but also the Merrimack College Dance Team. The Dance Team provided the entire stadium with a spectacular halftime performance. At the end of the fun filled evening the Celtics beat the Portland rail Blazers 118 to 90. Our senior trip to the Celtics game was a success and everyone arrived back to Merrimack safe and sound.

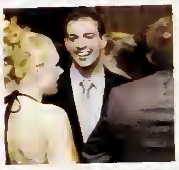
NO STANDING
ANYTIME

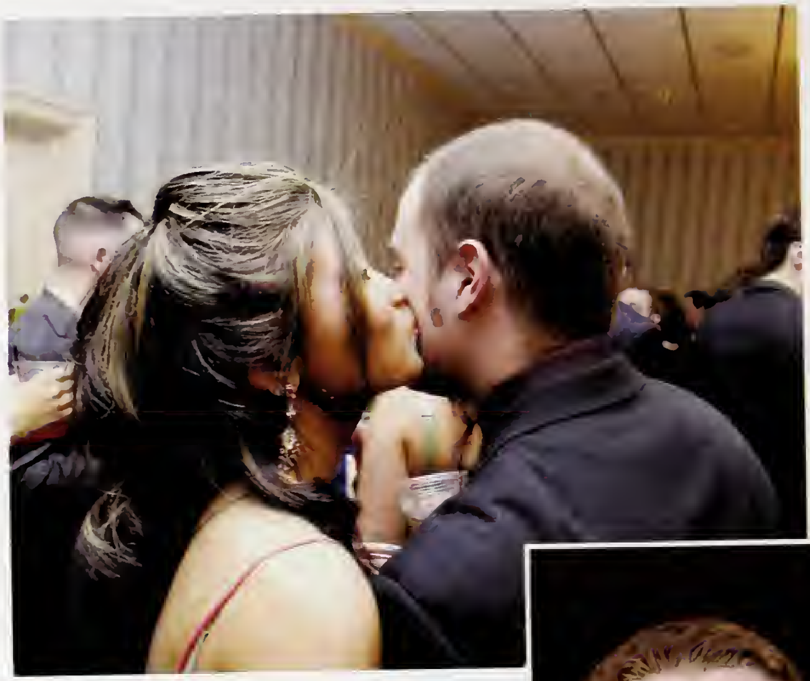


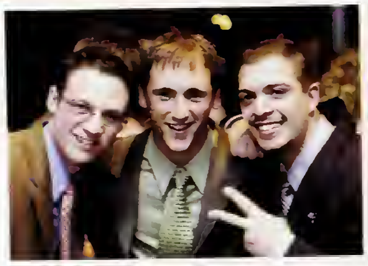
The senior class trip to New York City took place on Saturday October 28th. The busses left Merrimack at 7:30am despite the rainy weather. Once we arrived in NYC the weather had cleared up and it ended up being a beautiful day. After many new memories were made in NYC the Class of 2007 met at Planet Hollywood at 8:00pm for a class dinner. We departed from the city at 10:00pm and began the journey back to Merrimack College.

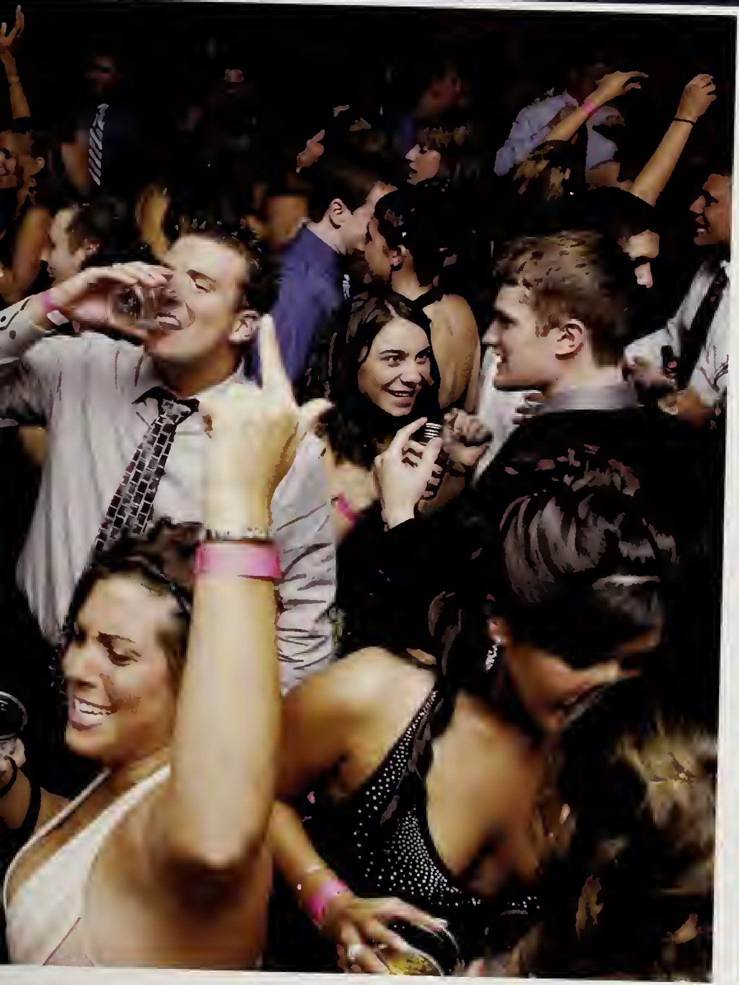
# Senior FORMAL

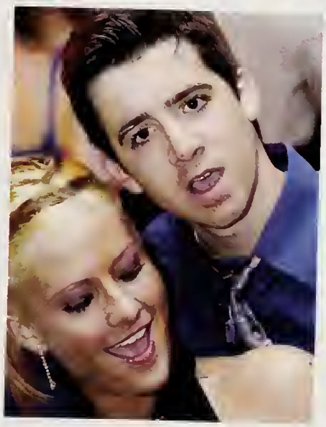


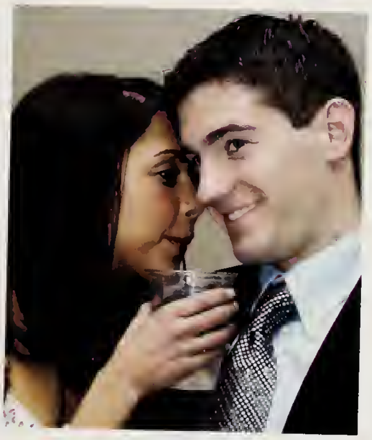
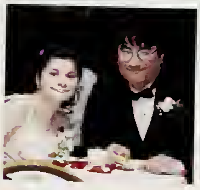


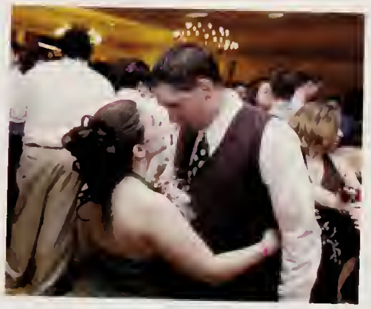


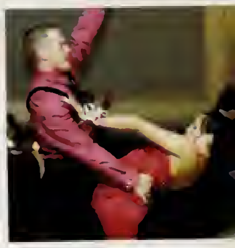


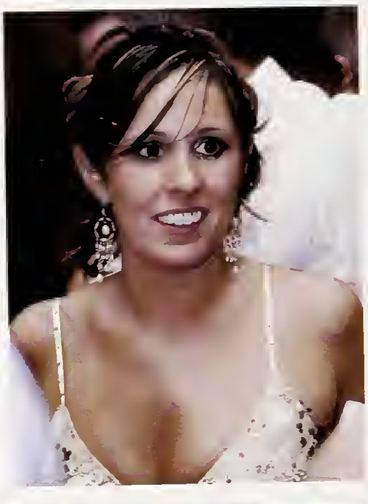


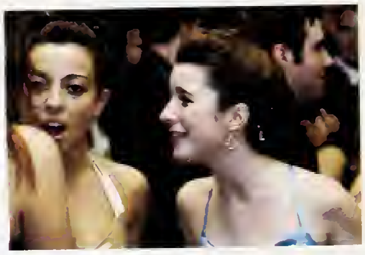


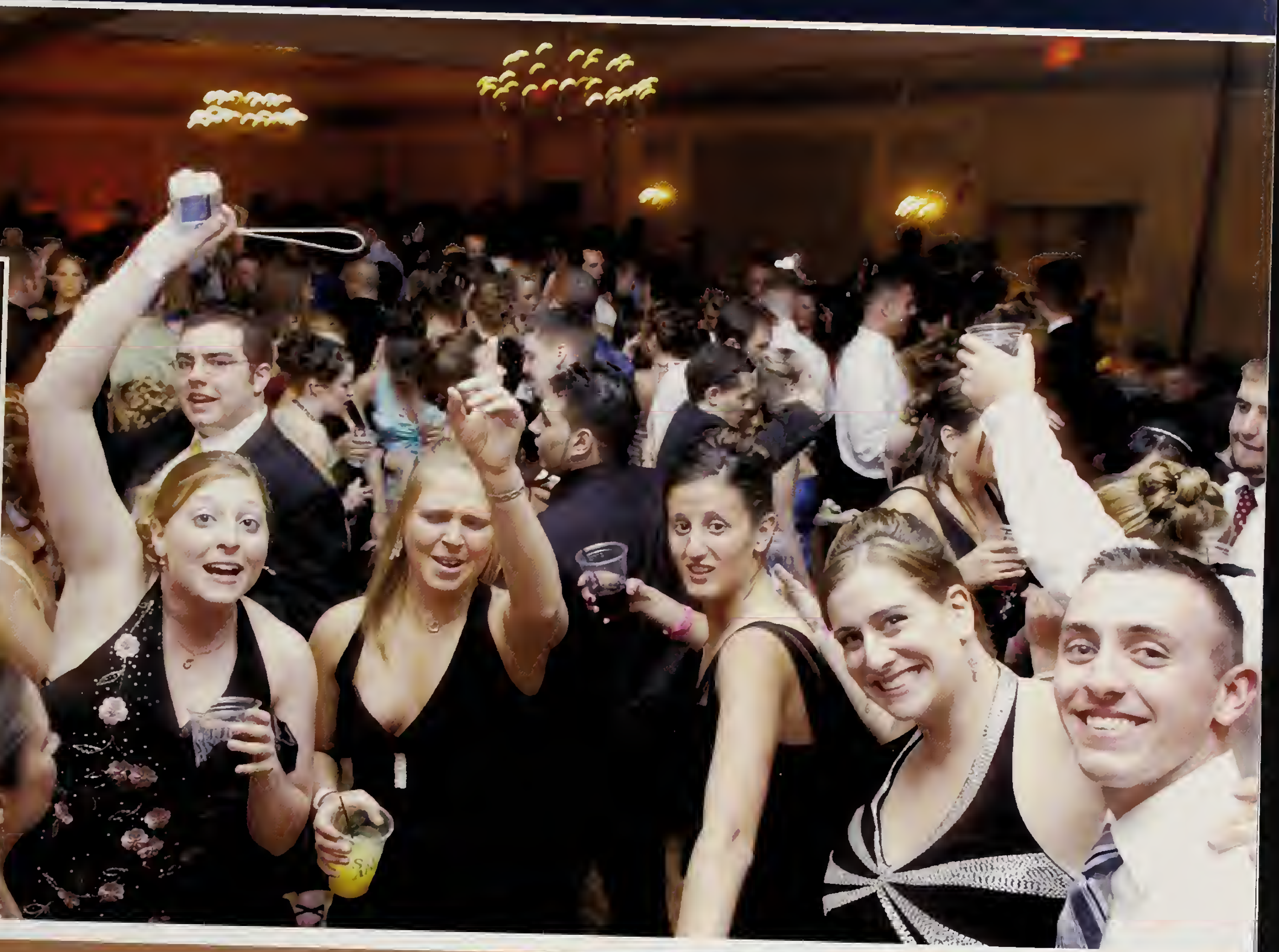



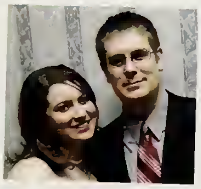
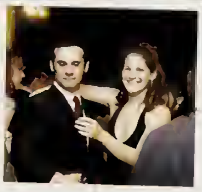
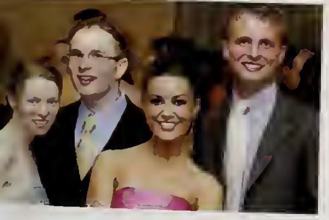
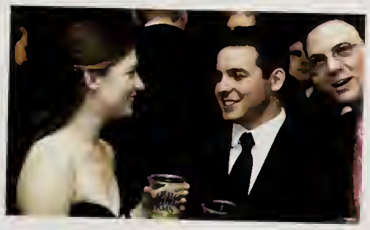


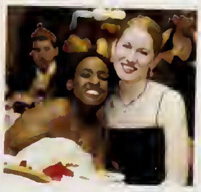




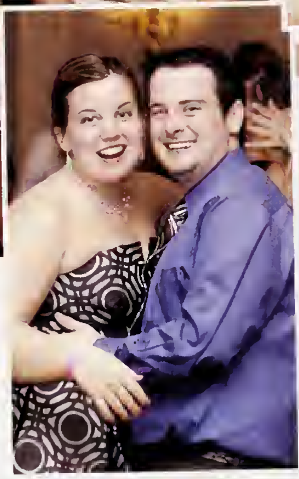


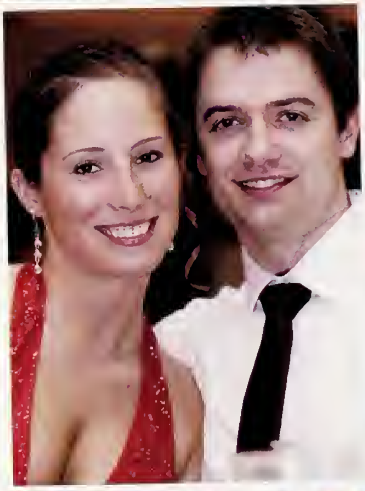


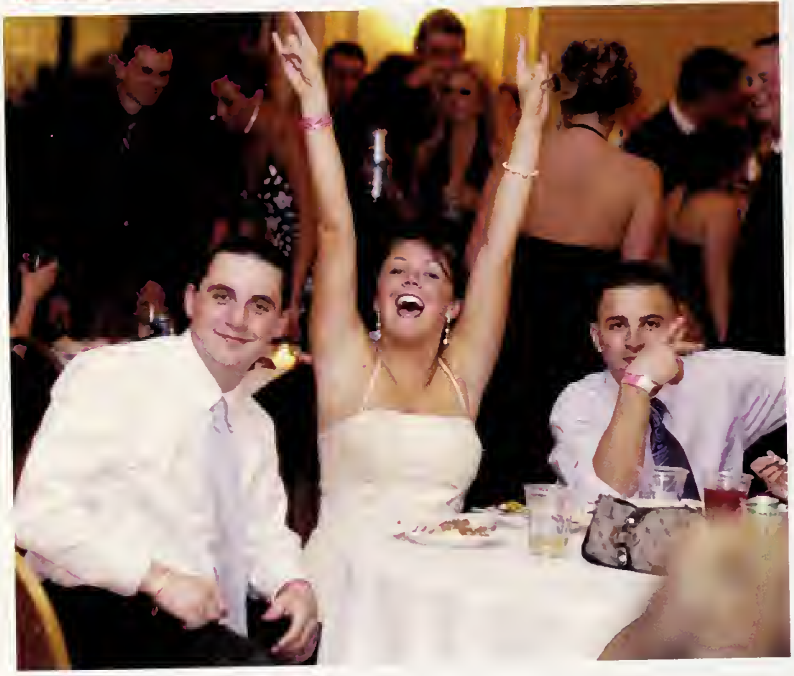





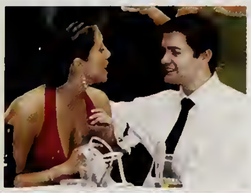
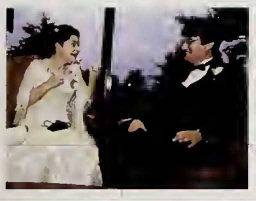


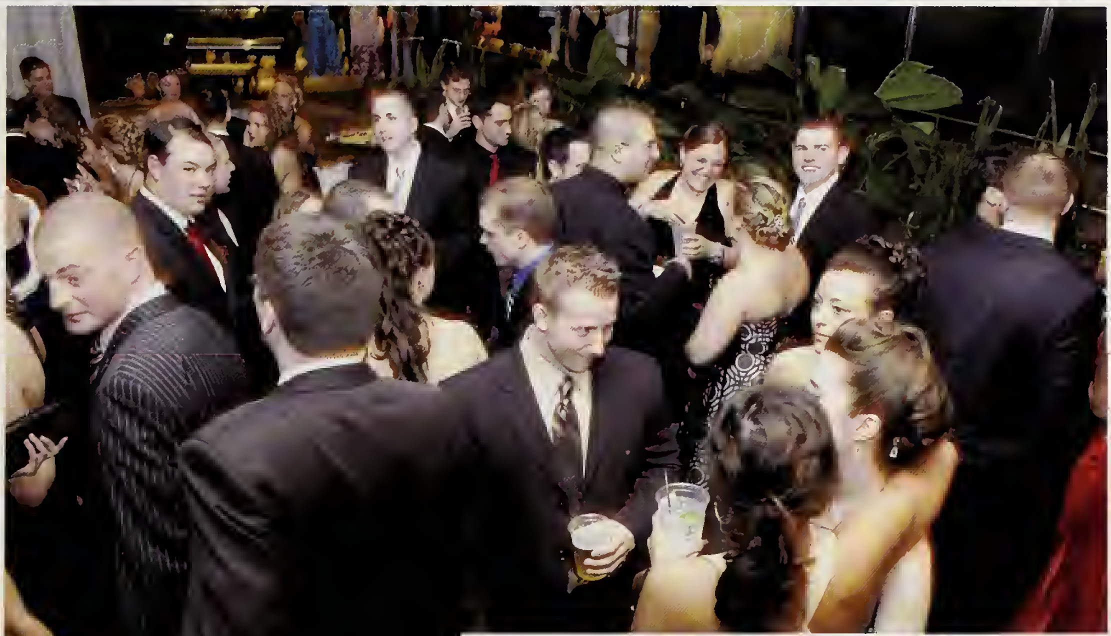
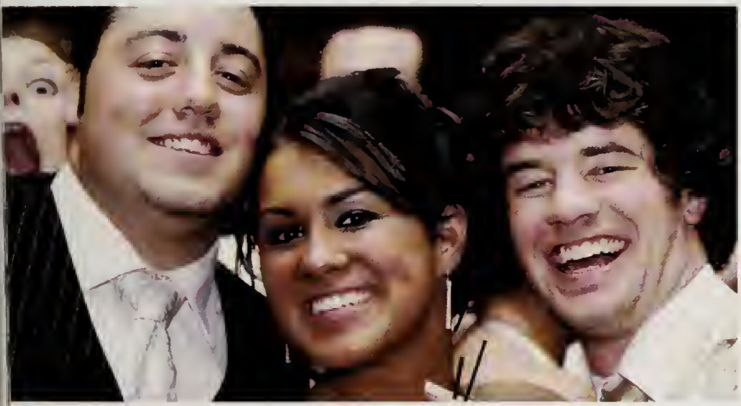
To
07
ior
mal
Merrimack
College

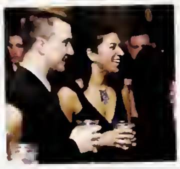


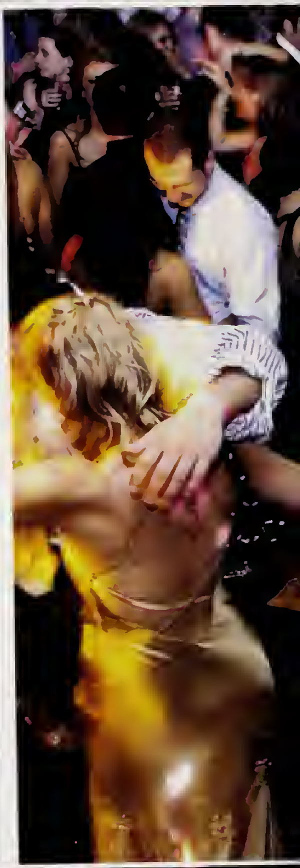




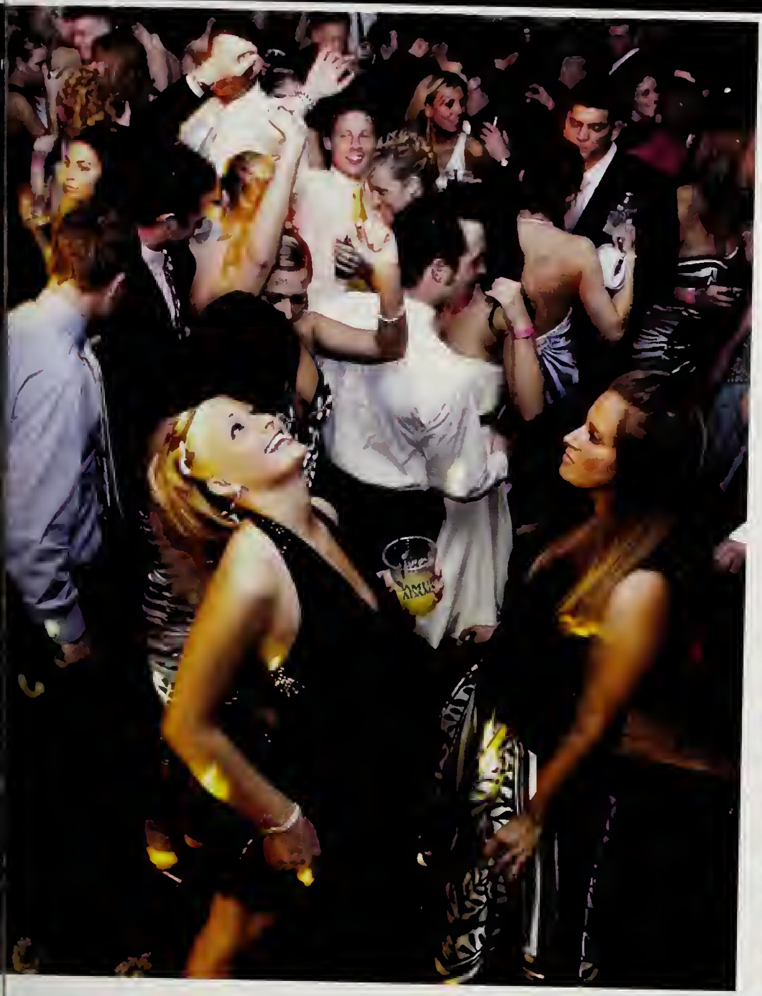



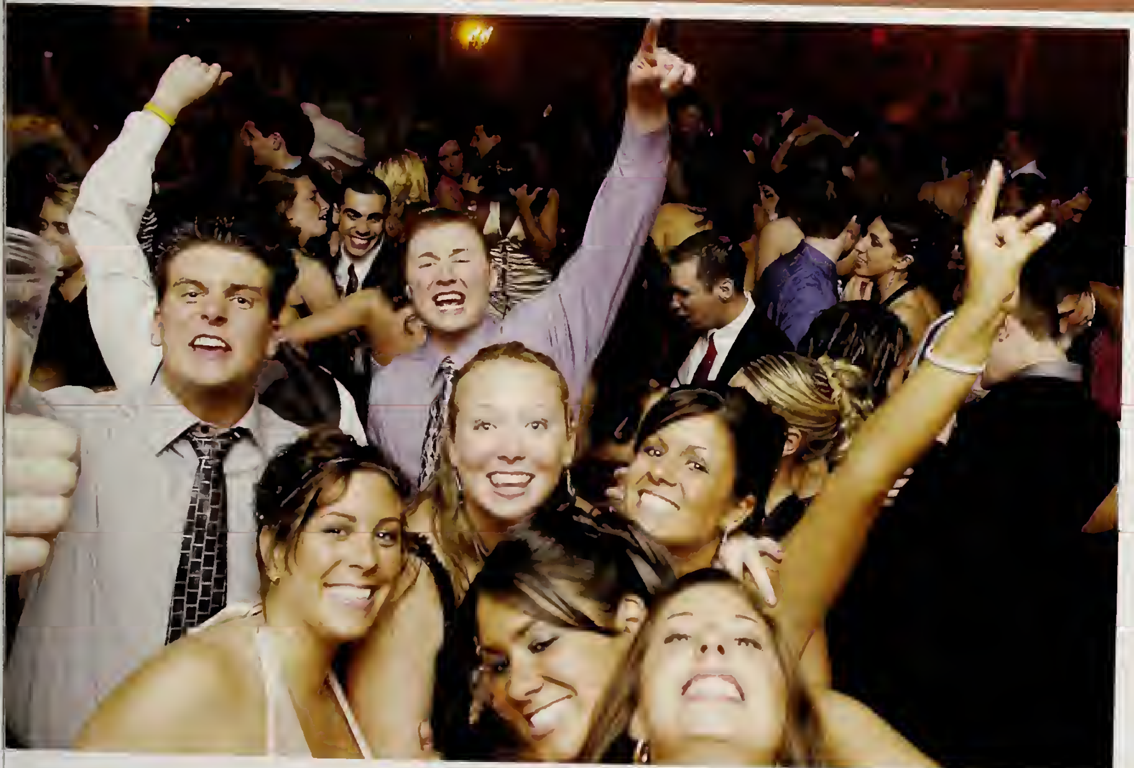







SAM ADA





# Commencement

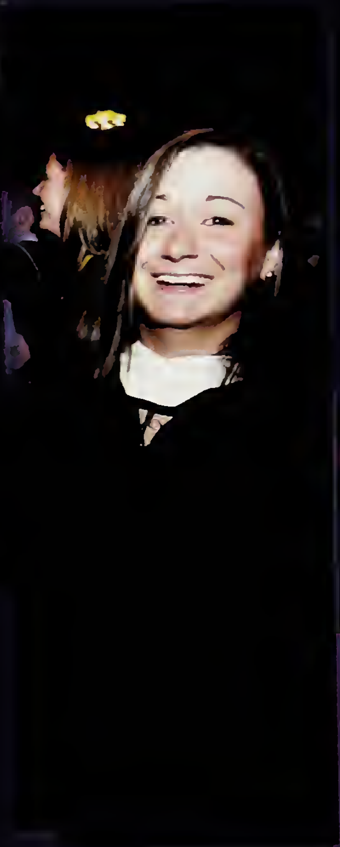
LEGE

ACK COLLEGE
1947

GRA
Congratulations Class of 200
Thank you to all
Senior Class Gift Tribute Program

A-B

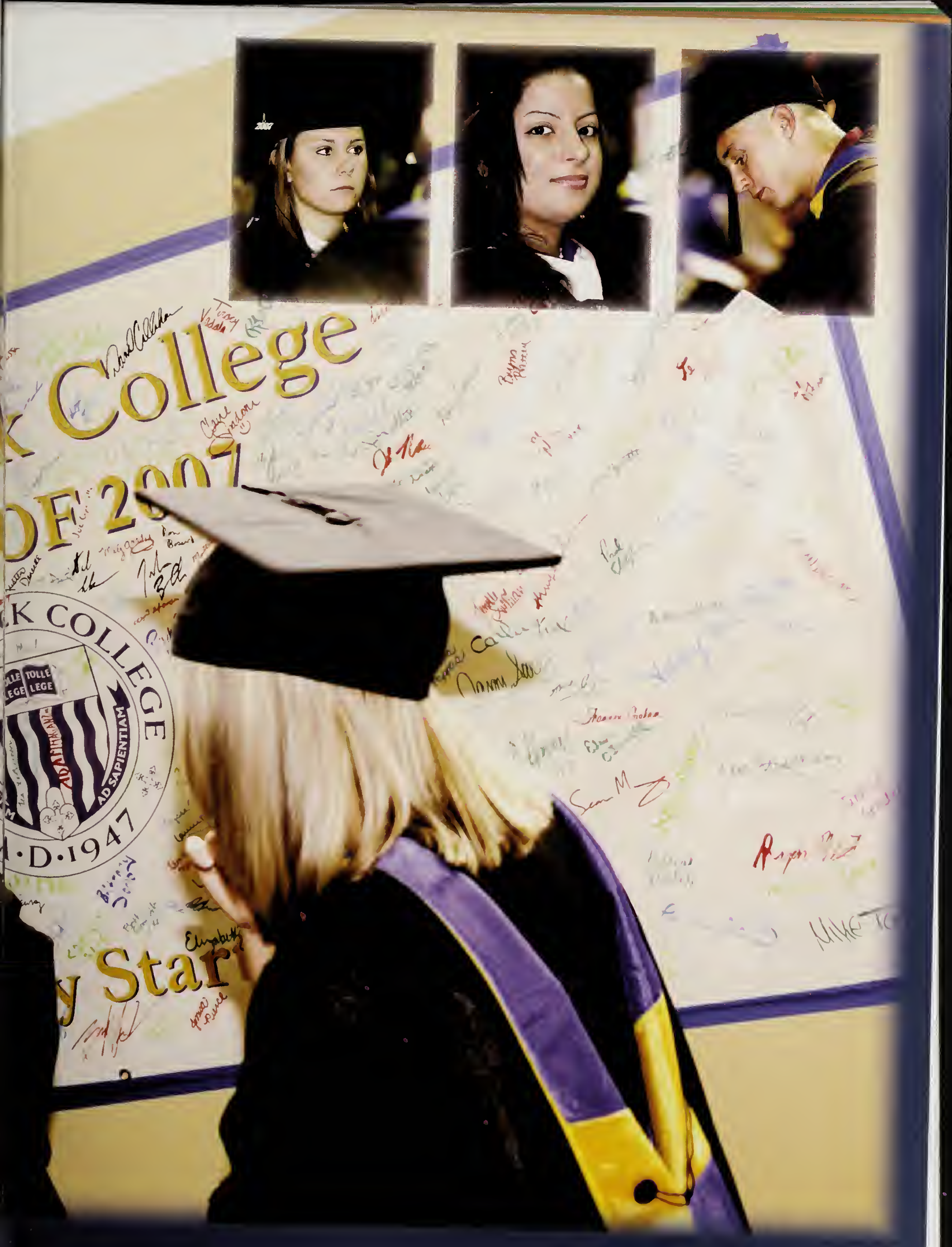
rrima



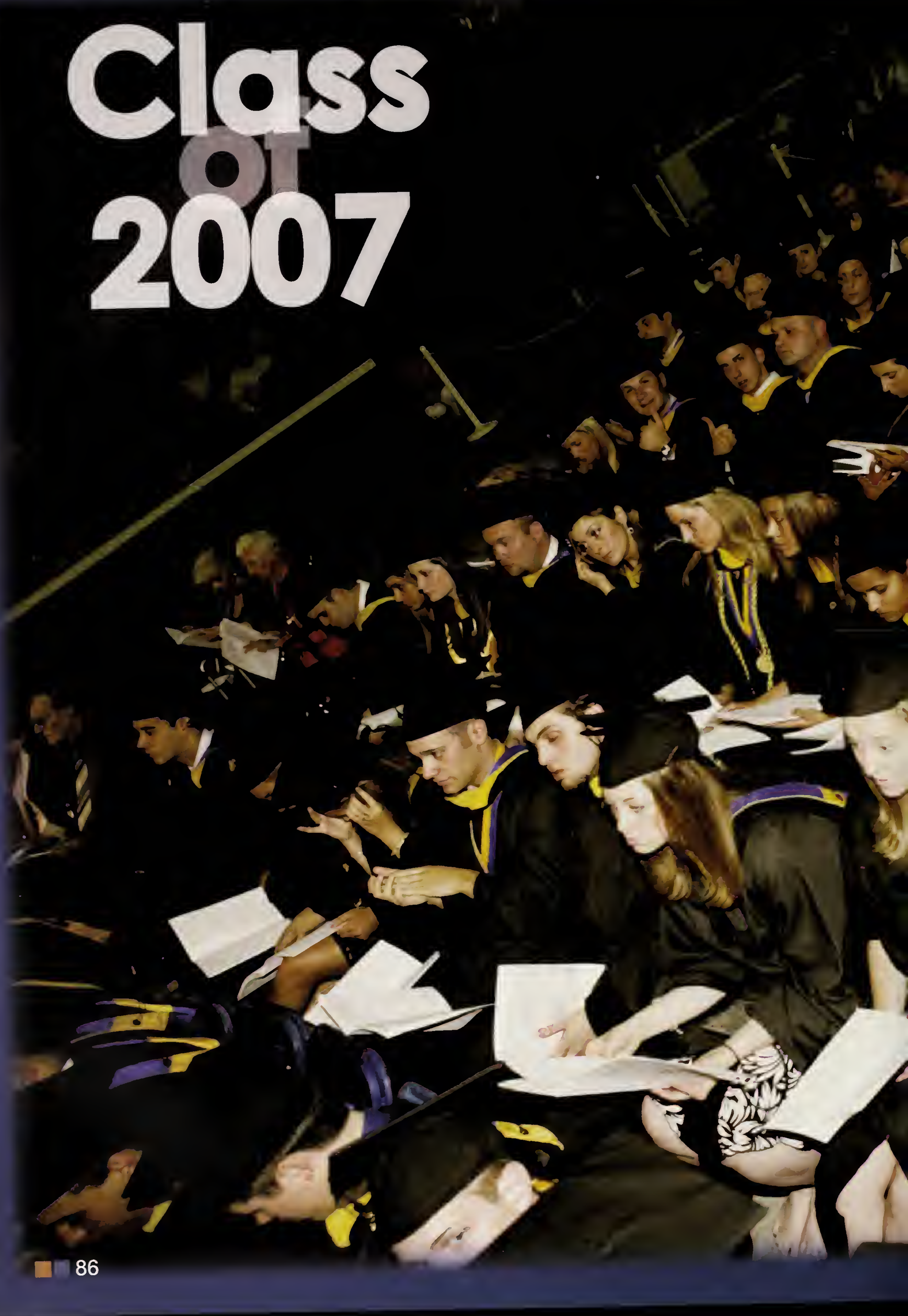
Alis volat
propriis

2007

K-L
Merrima
CLAS

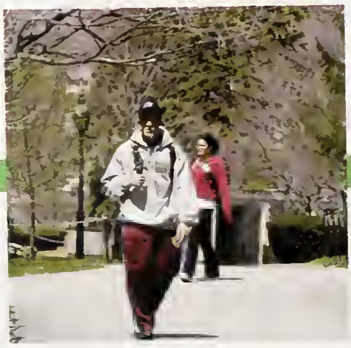

k College
OF 200
K COLLEGE
TOLLE LEGE
TOLLE LEGE
AD SAPIENTIAM
AD SAPIENTIAM
·D·1947
y Star

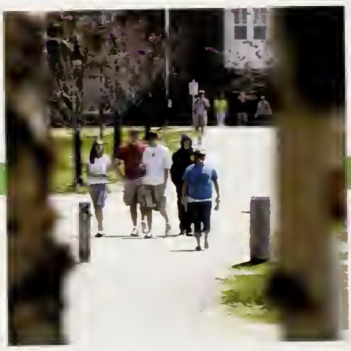
# Class of 2007

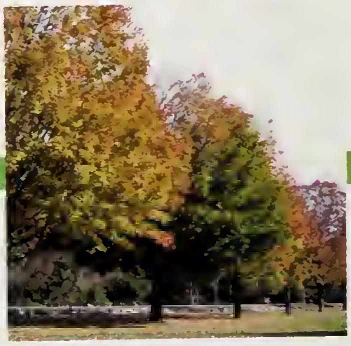


# Scenes

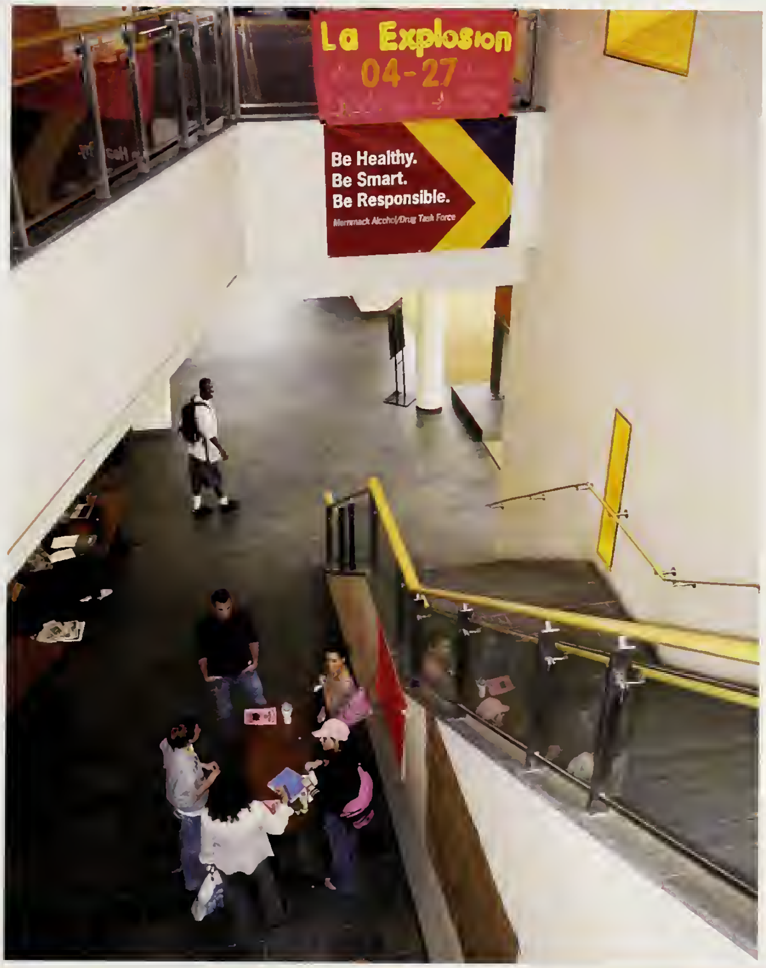
SAKOWICH
CAMPUS
CENTER

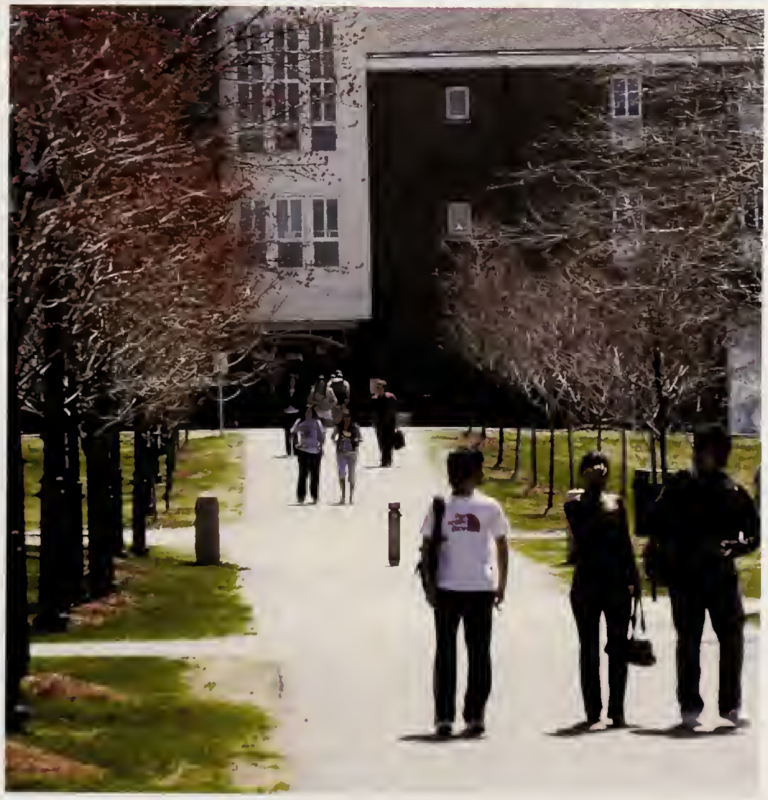




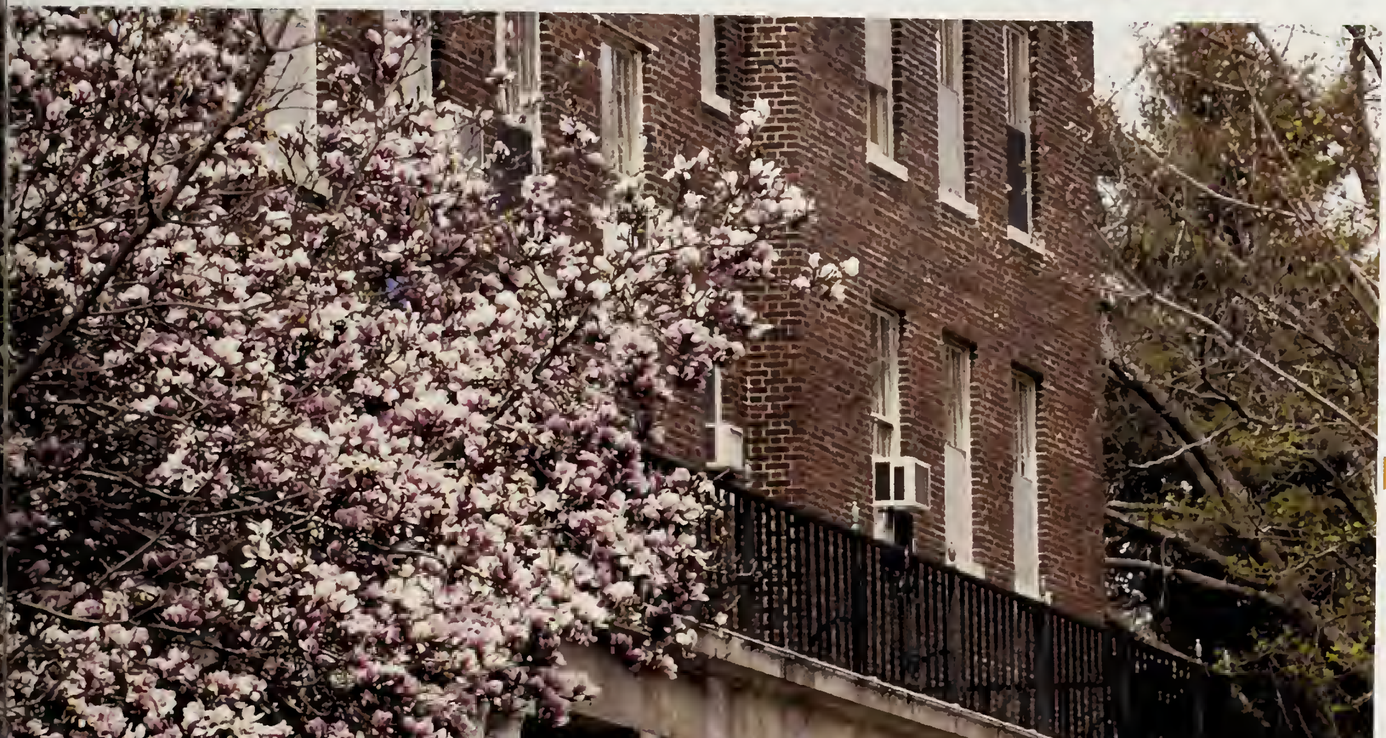


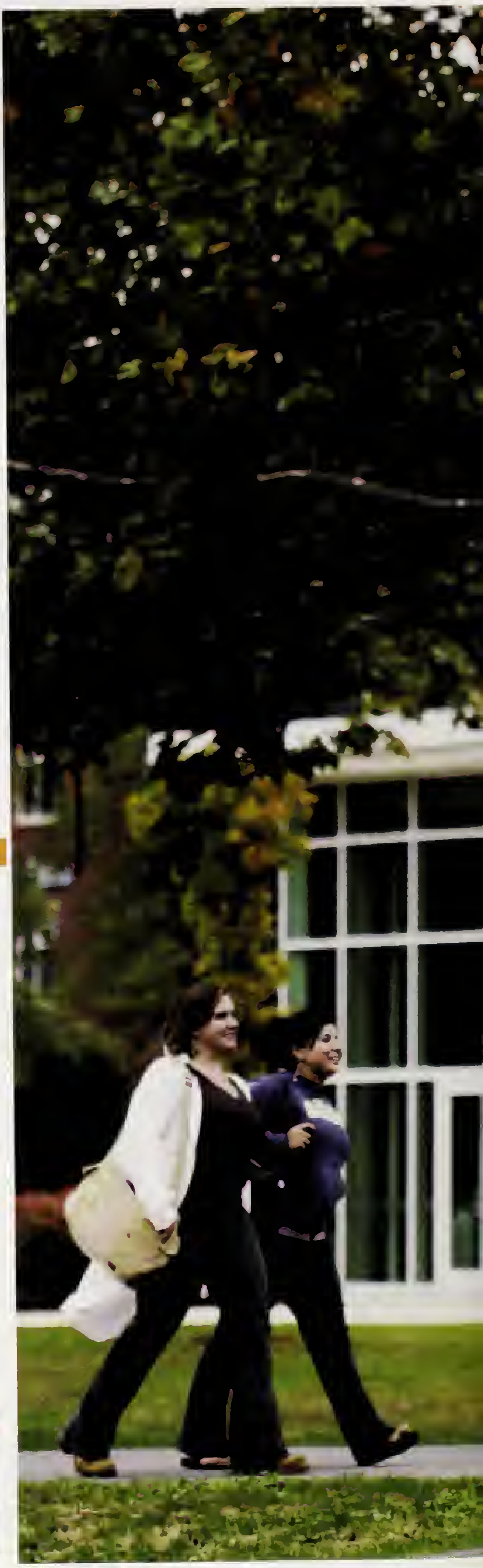
FUSC


La Explosion
04-27
Be Healthy.
Be Smart.
Be Responsible.
Merrimack Alcohol/Drug Task Force



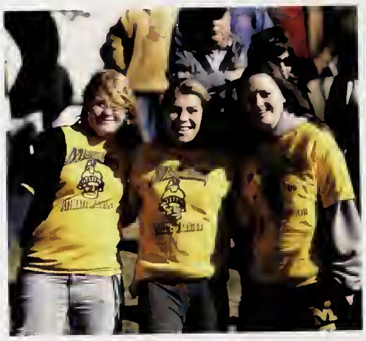
MERRIMACK COLLEGE
A·D·1947
AUSTIN HALL
ADMISSIONS
SAKOWICH CENTER
CUSHING HALL
O'REILLY HALL
CASCIA HALL





Merrimack
COLLEGE
DO NOT ENTER
SERVICE VEHICLES ONLY
MERRIMACK COLL
A.D. 194

# Activties



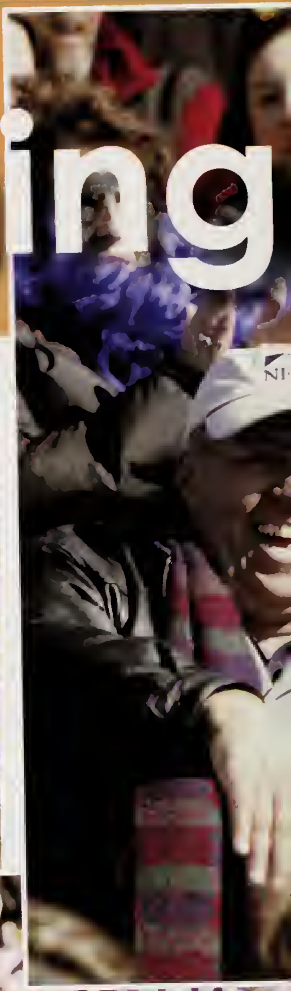
# Our 2003

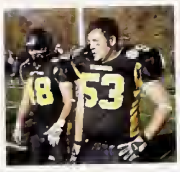
rimack
LLEG

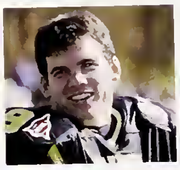
# Orientation...

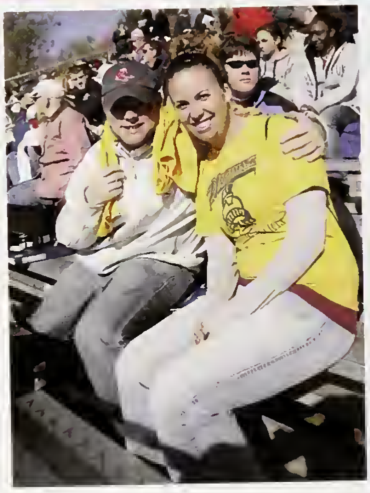
Plymouth North
BASEBALL

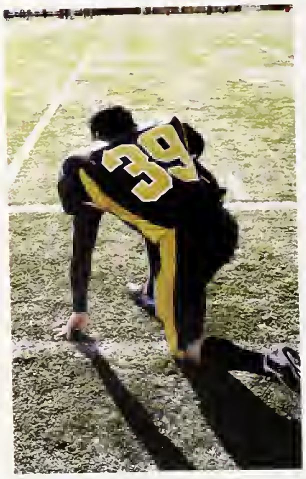
# homecoming



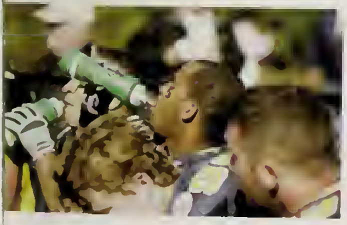


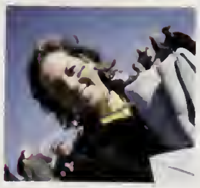


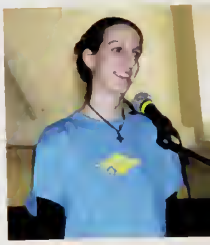




MERRIMACK COLLEGE

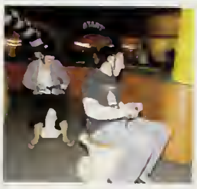
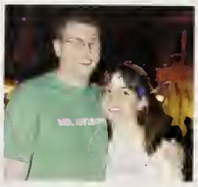
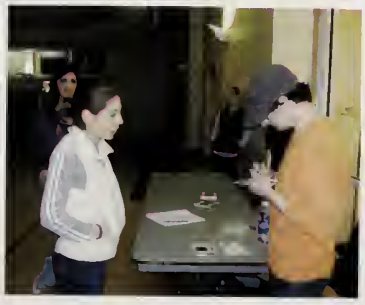
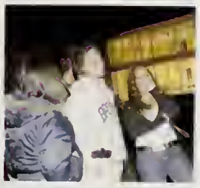


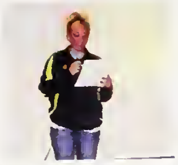


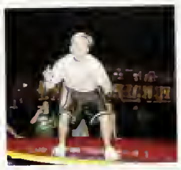


START

# Spring week

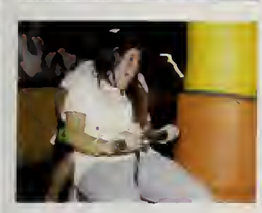




START

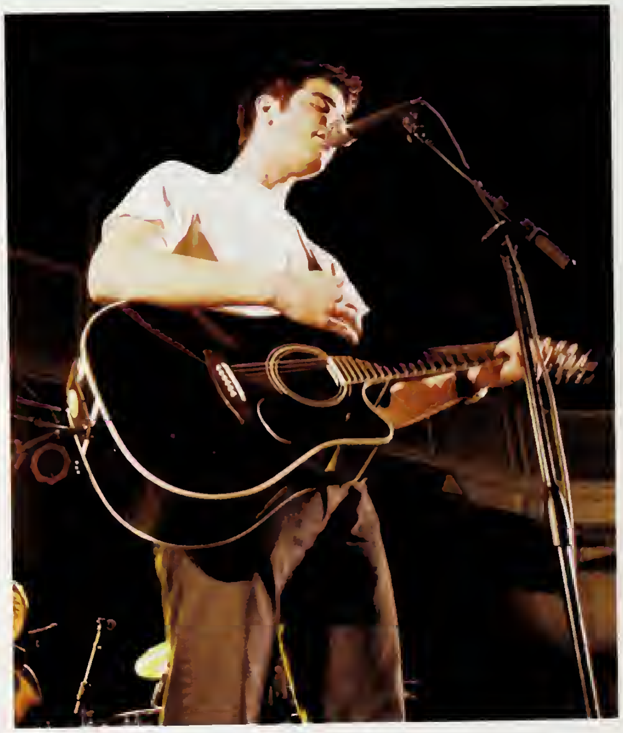
Scenes

Merrimack
COLLEGE



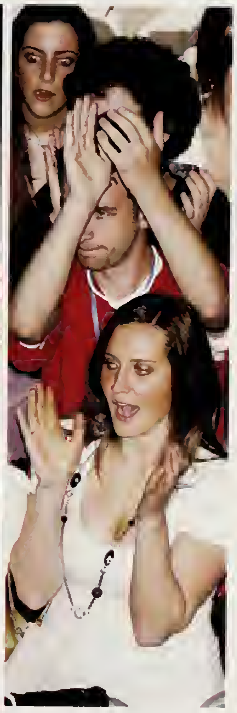
TIKI TOSS

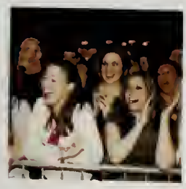
MERRIMACK
1947

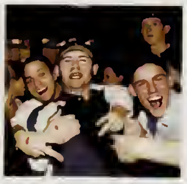


# Augustana

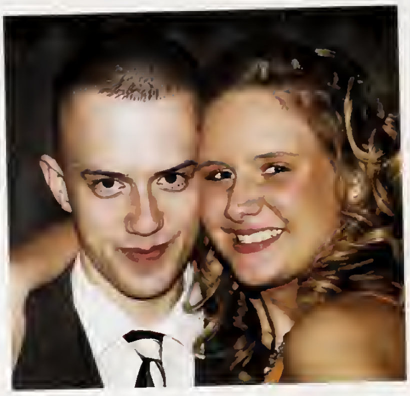
No Coats Or Bags Inside MPR
No Food Or Beverages Inside MPR

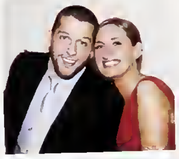




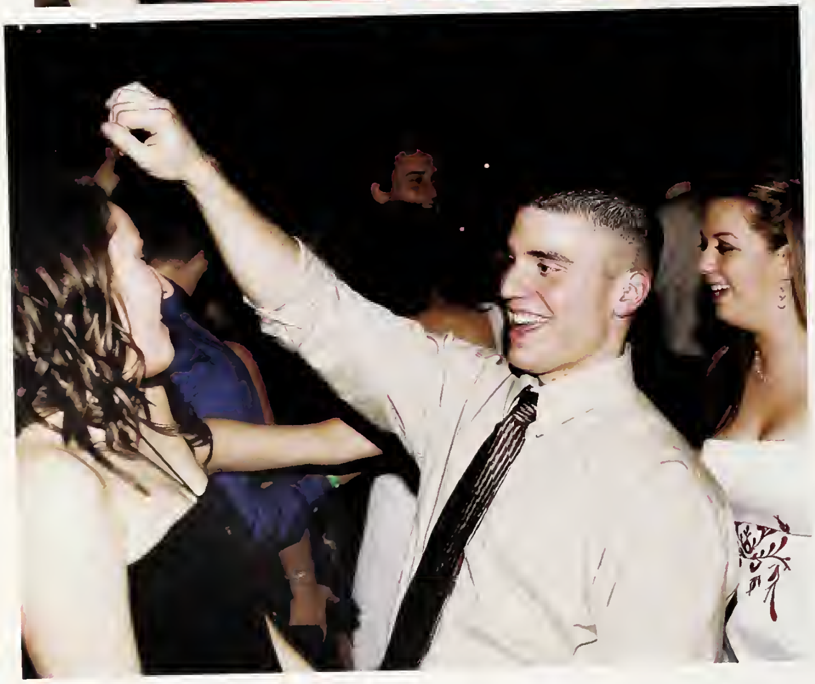


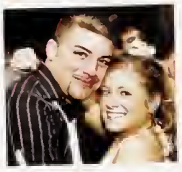
3.22.07

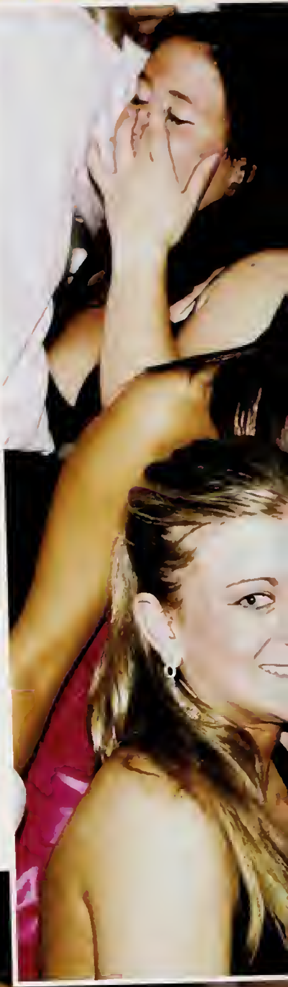


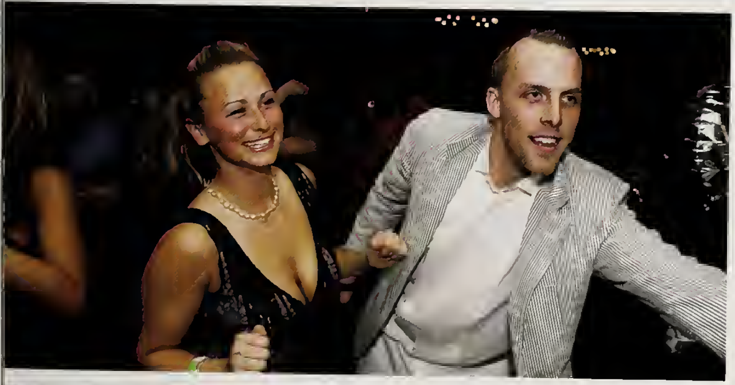


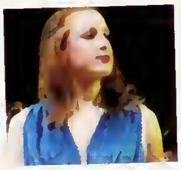
# Junior Formal

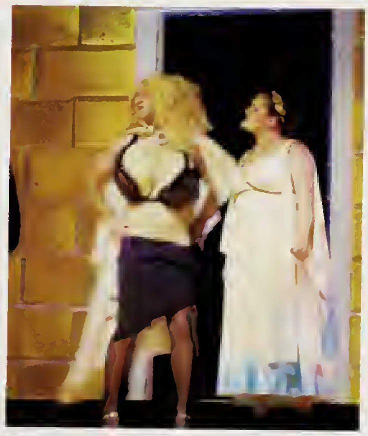






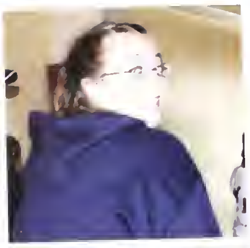


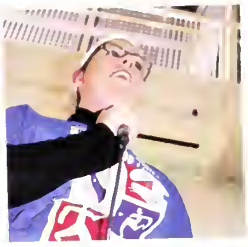


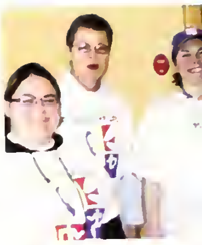


# Lysistrata

# grease

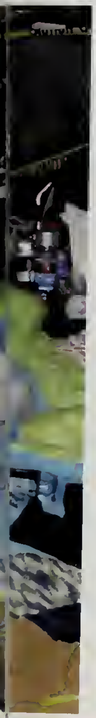






TKE

# Relay for Life



AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
RELAY FOR LIFE
2007
WE ARE HERE. WE CAN HELP.

CHATHAM
Merrimack

For Life
brating Life!

REST ROOMS
Lumin

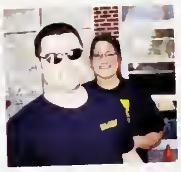
ABRUZZESE

RELAY FOR LIFE

ABRUZZESE
14

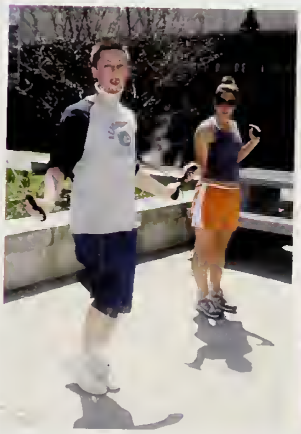
UMASS
LOWELL

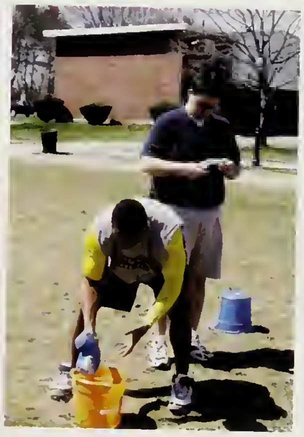
COLLEGE
14



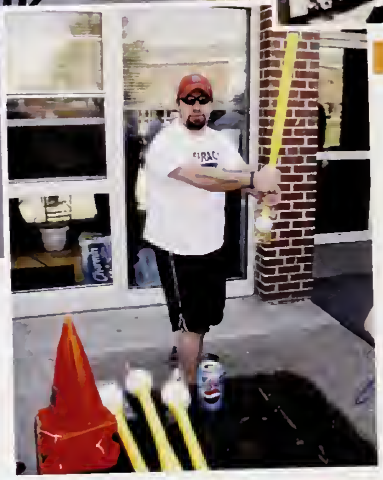
BEARS
FOOTBALL

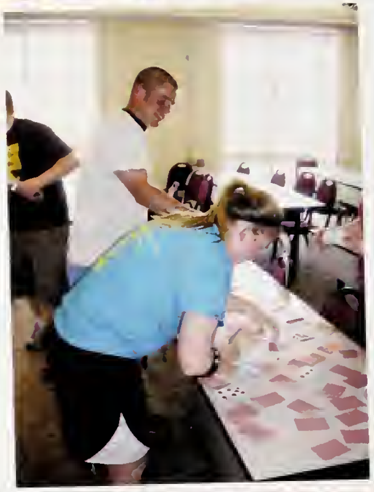
THE AMAZING

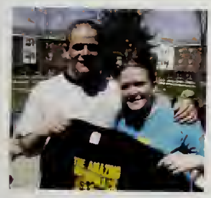




# Amazing Race

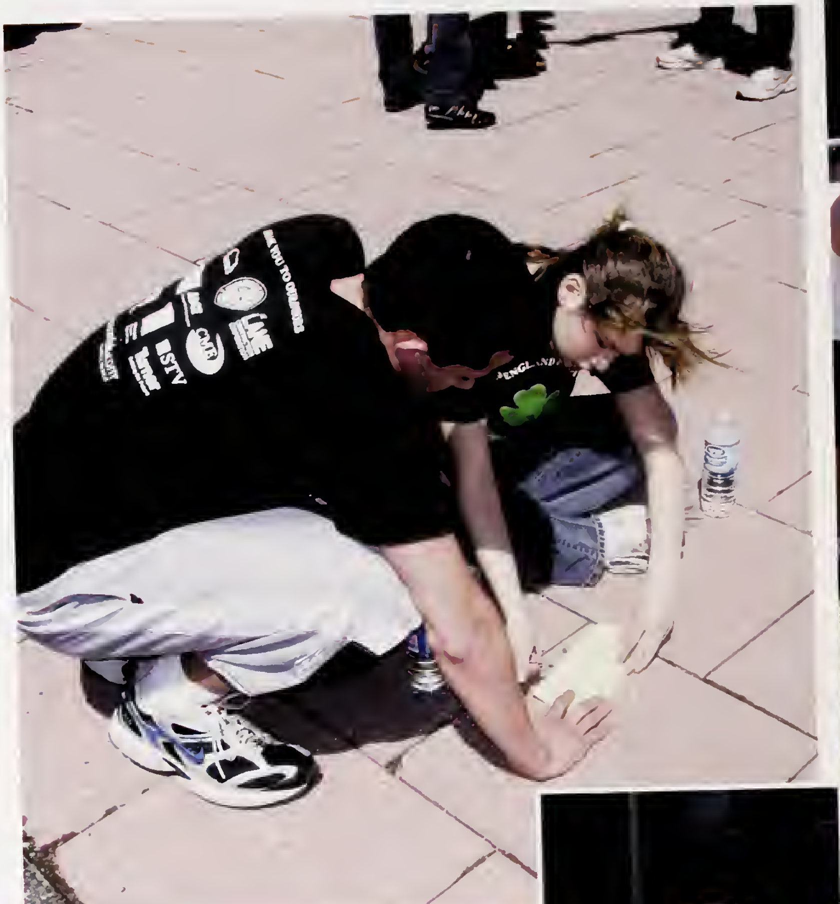






Champion
THE AMAZING
MERRIMACK

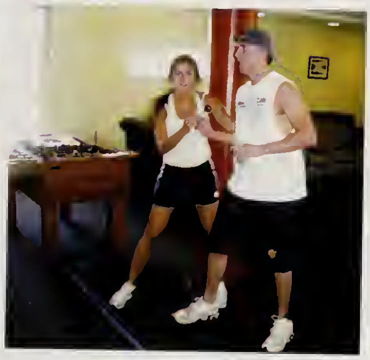
STINGERS
BEARS
FOOTBALL
13



BC

BEARS
FOOTBALL

5k Road Race



# Academics
# Faculty
# Staff

**Academic Affairs**
(l-r): Dr. Joseph Kelley, Provost & Vice President for Mission Effectiveness and Maribeth Zatet, Administrative Assistant

**Augustinian Center and Mission Effectiveness**
(l-r): Kay DeBurro, Father Jim Wenzel, O.S.A.

**Career Services**
(l-r): Rita Persichetti, Sue Brien, Norma Herzlinger, Beverly Hutton, Jim Greeley

**Chemistry Department**
Back row (l-r): Barry Mahoney, Stephen Theberge, Cynthia McGowan, Anthony Fernandez, Nicholas Shuman
Front row (l-r): Pamela Hansen, Catherine Festa, Kathleen Swallow, J. David Davis

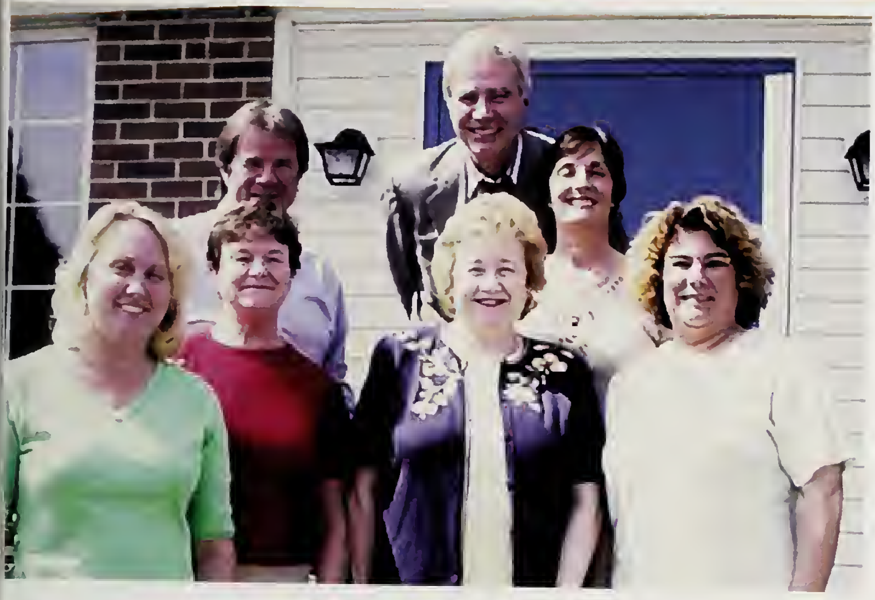
**Civil Engineering**
(l-r): Aaron Bradshaw, Doug Therrien, Jean Reynolds, Vincent Turano, Anthony DeLuzio, Gary Spring

**Mack Card Office**
Ed McGee

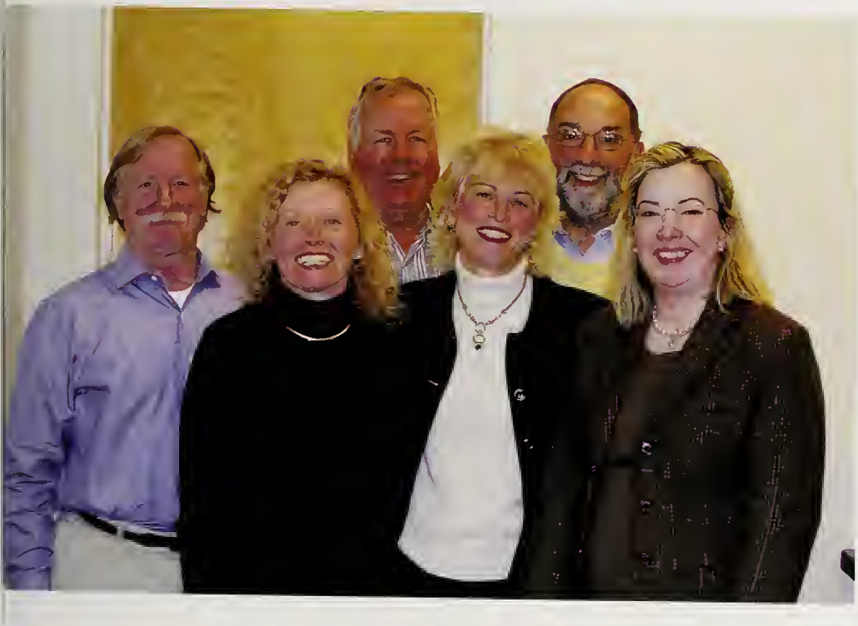
**Dean of College**
(l-r) Kay DeBurro, Administrative Assistant & Reverend Gary McClosky, O.S.A., Dean of the College

**English Department**
(back row l-r): Paul Vatalaro, Robert Keohan, Kerry Johnson, Michael Rossi, Steve Soh, Deborah Burns; (front row l-r): Mary Kay Mahoney, Kathleen Shine-Cain, Marie Plasse

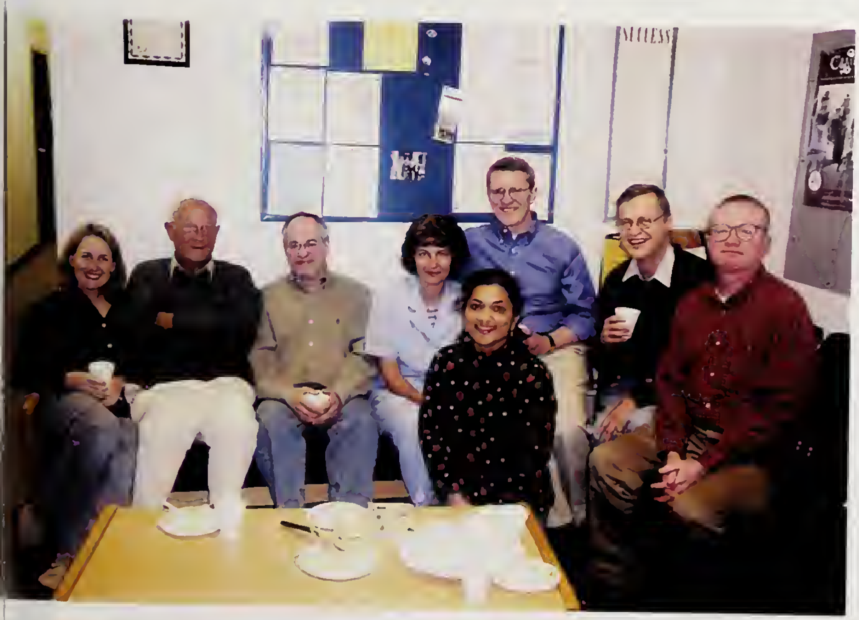
**Fiscal Affairs**
Standing (l-r): Shirley Starr (Supervisor of Payroll), Nicole Costello (Purchasing Assistant), Rusty Meadows (Director of Accounting), Tony Ferullo (Fiscal Director and Controller), Kerry Eaton (Payroll Assistant), Jo-Ann MacNeill (Accounts Payable Clerk)
Seated (l-r): Mike Durkin (Director of Purchasing), Eric Wilshusen (Senior Accountant)



**Hamel Health**
Back row (l-r): James Matthews, Jerry Dugal, Sharon Broussard
Front row (l-r): Stephanie Callahan, Jan Adams, Nancy Barry, Debbie Marcotte



**Marketing Department**
Back row (l-r): Dr. Chuck Comegys, Dr. James Corbett, Prof. Joseph Stasio
Front row (l-r): Kathleen Tavares, Professor Cathie Rich-Duval, Dr. Julie Fitzmaurice



**Philosophy Department**
(Back row l-r): Monica Cowart, Herbert Meyer, Gerald Matross, Nancy Collela, William Wians, Arthur Ledoux, George Heffernan, (front) Chandrika Shah

**Political Science Department**
(l-r): He Li, Russell Mayer, Marguerite Kane, Mary McHugh, Curtis Martin

**Post Office**
Jeff Guerra,
Chris Wagner,
Paul Dearborn

**President's Office**
(l-r): Executive Secretary Ann Murphy, President Richard J. Santagati, Assistant to the President Linda Murphy, Administrative Assistant Nancy Callahan-Stronach

**Public Relations Office**
Marie DeMarco,
Kathleen Fanzese,
Heather Notaro,
Michelle Fastnacht

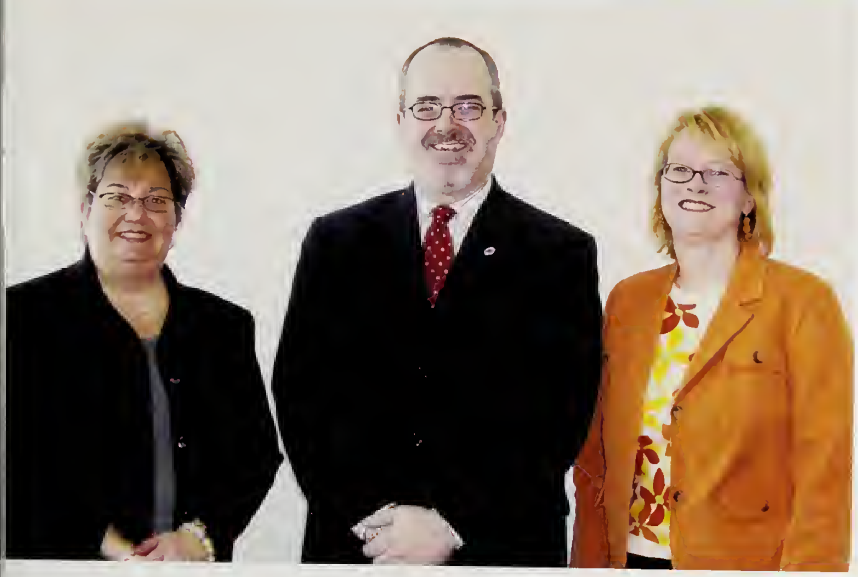
**Registrar's Office**
(Back row l-r): Jennifer DiStefano, Elaine Grelle, (Front row l-r): Lauren Credi, Paula O'Brien

**Religious Studies**
(l-r): Padraic O'Hare, Father Kevin Dwyer, O.S.A., Joseph Kelley, Warren Kay (Chair), Rebecca Sachs Norris, Susanne Scholz, Mark Allman

**Residence Life**
Back row (l-r): Tony Montalbano, Sarah Haynes, Kyle Copeland, Bryan Dunphy-Culp, Bonnie Maitland
Front row (l-r): Carol Kupski, Jen Golojuch, Donna Swartwout

**Stevens Service Learning Center**
Jen Strachan
Mary McHugh
Kristen Belair

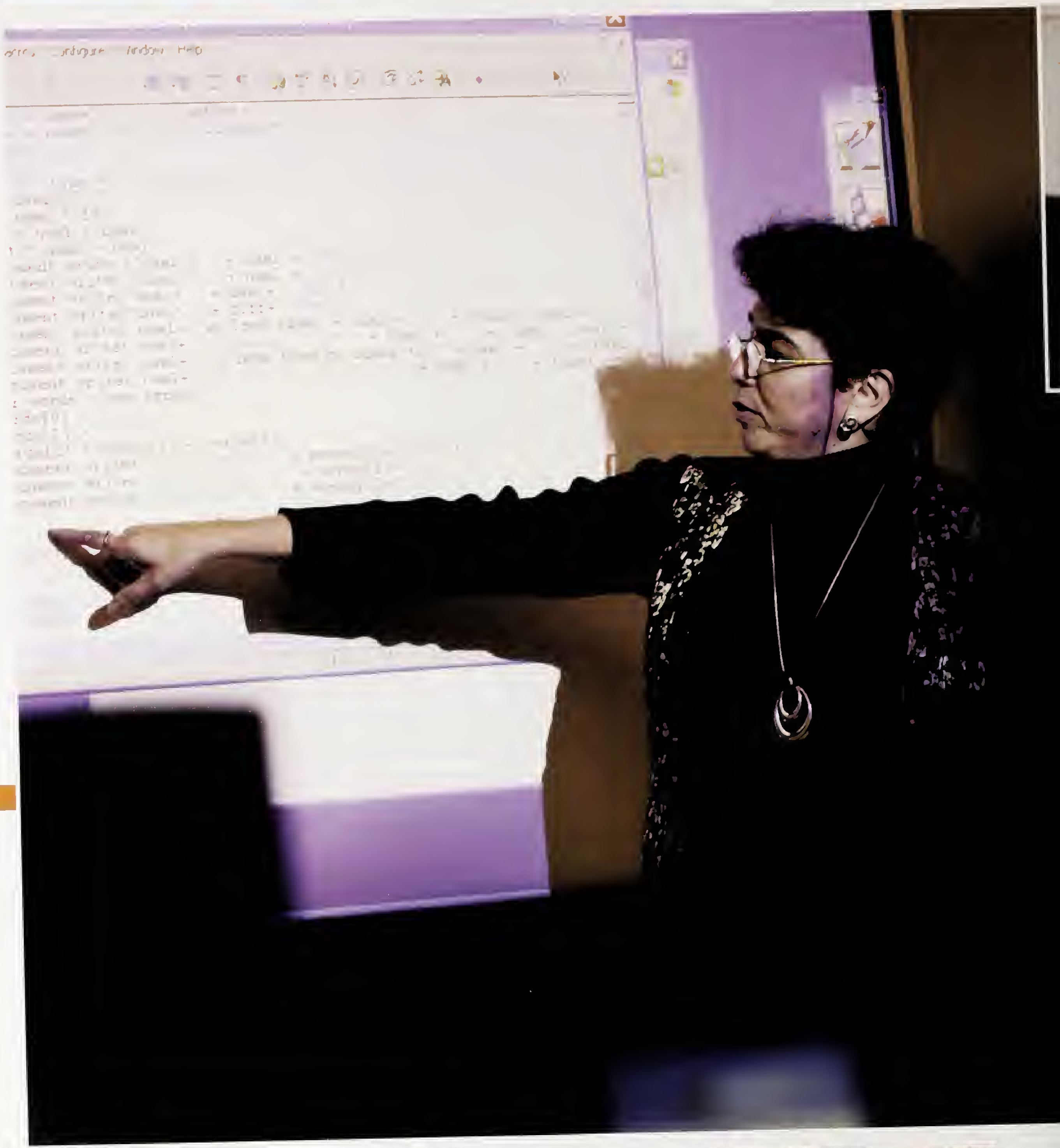
**Student Activities/Campus Center**
Back row (l-r): Kathy Vaillancourt, Shelby Harris, Kathy Makiver, Terri Pecorelli, Linda Bernazzani
Front row (l-r): Domenic DiVincenzo, Laura Flynn, Alan Zebrak

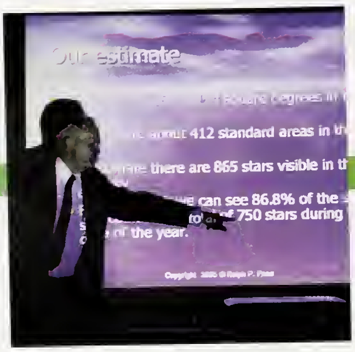


**Student Life**
(l-r): Georgianne Medor,
Shawn DeVeau, Lisa Fraize

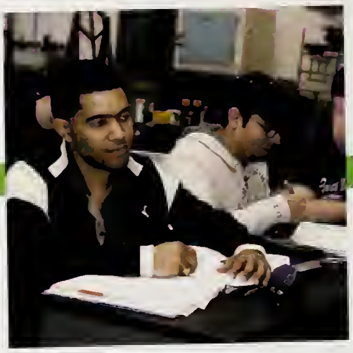
HER-WOOD HOCKEY
CAMBR
SOUNDV

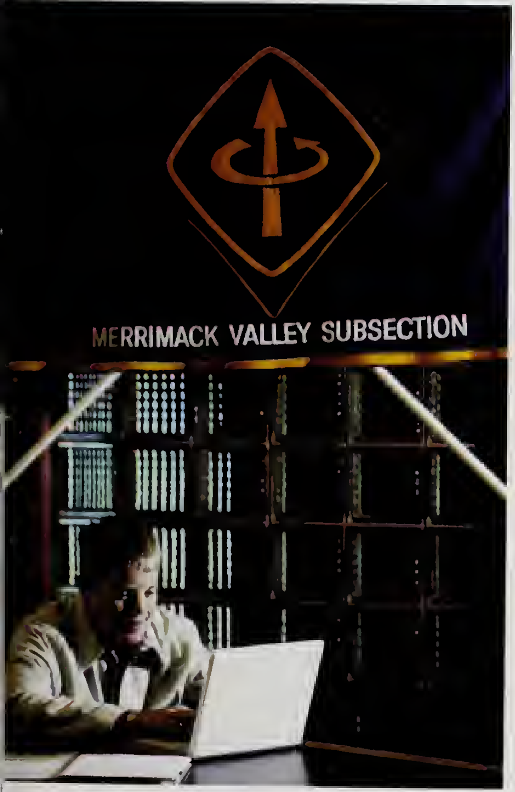
DUNKIN DONUTS
DUNKIN' DONUTS
FREE SAMPLES



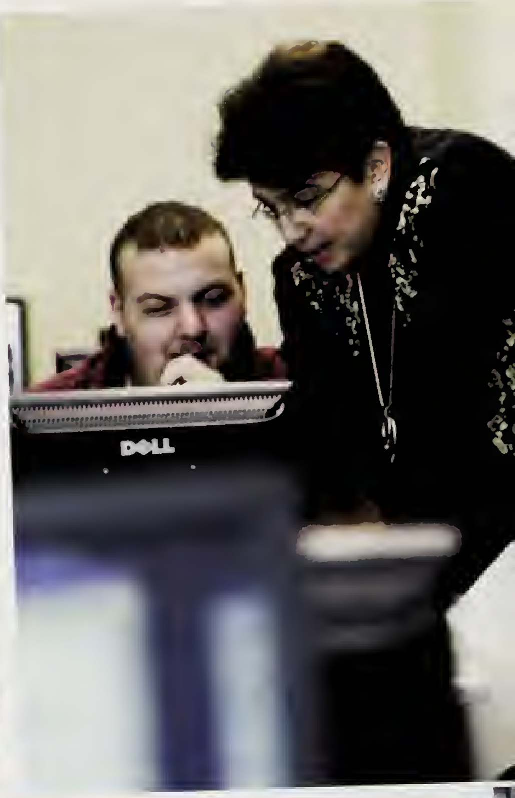

Our estimate
about 412 standard areas in th
there are 865 stars visible in th
can see 86.8% of the
750 stars during
of the year.

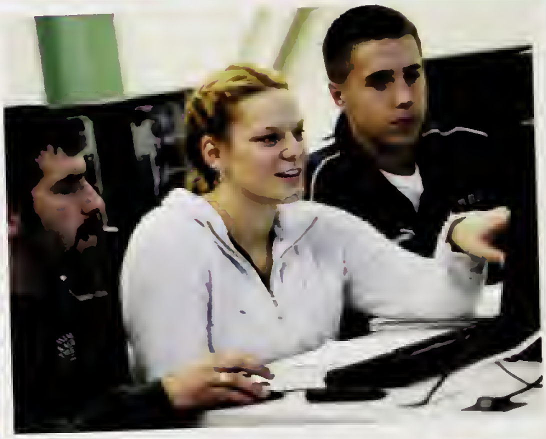
MERRIMACK
M
COLL




MERRIMACK VALLEY SUBSECTION

TY


DELL

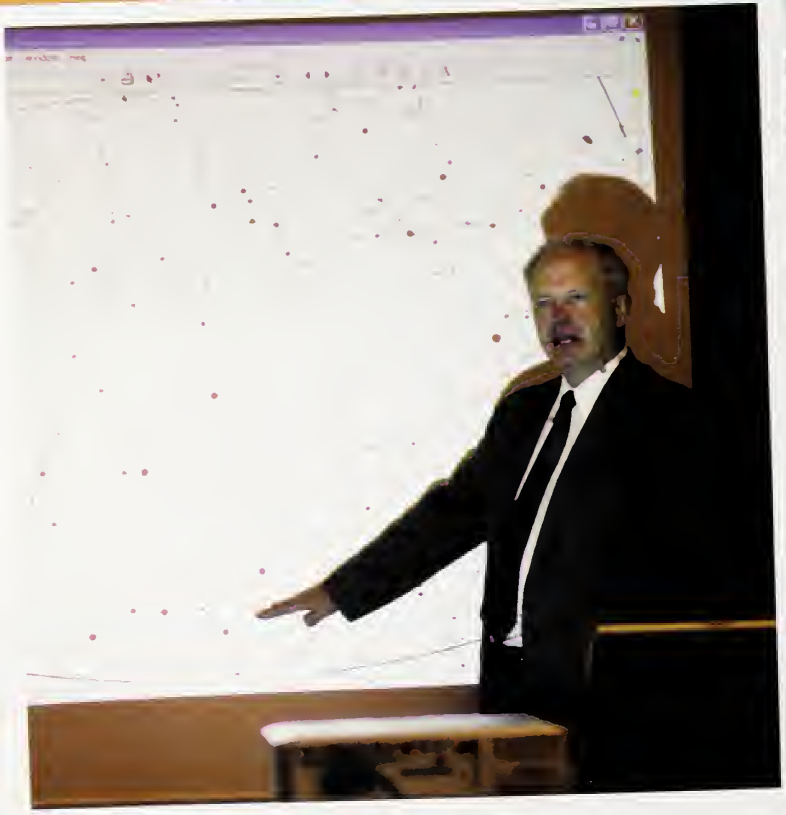


ERRIMACK
COLLEGE

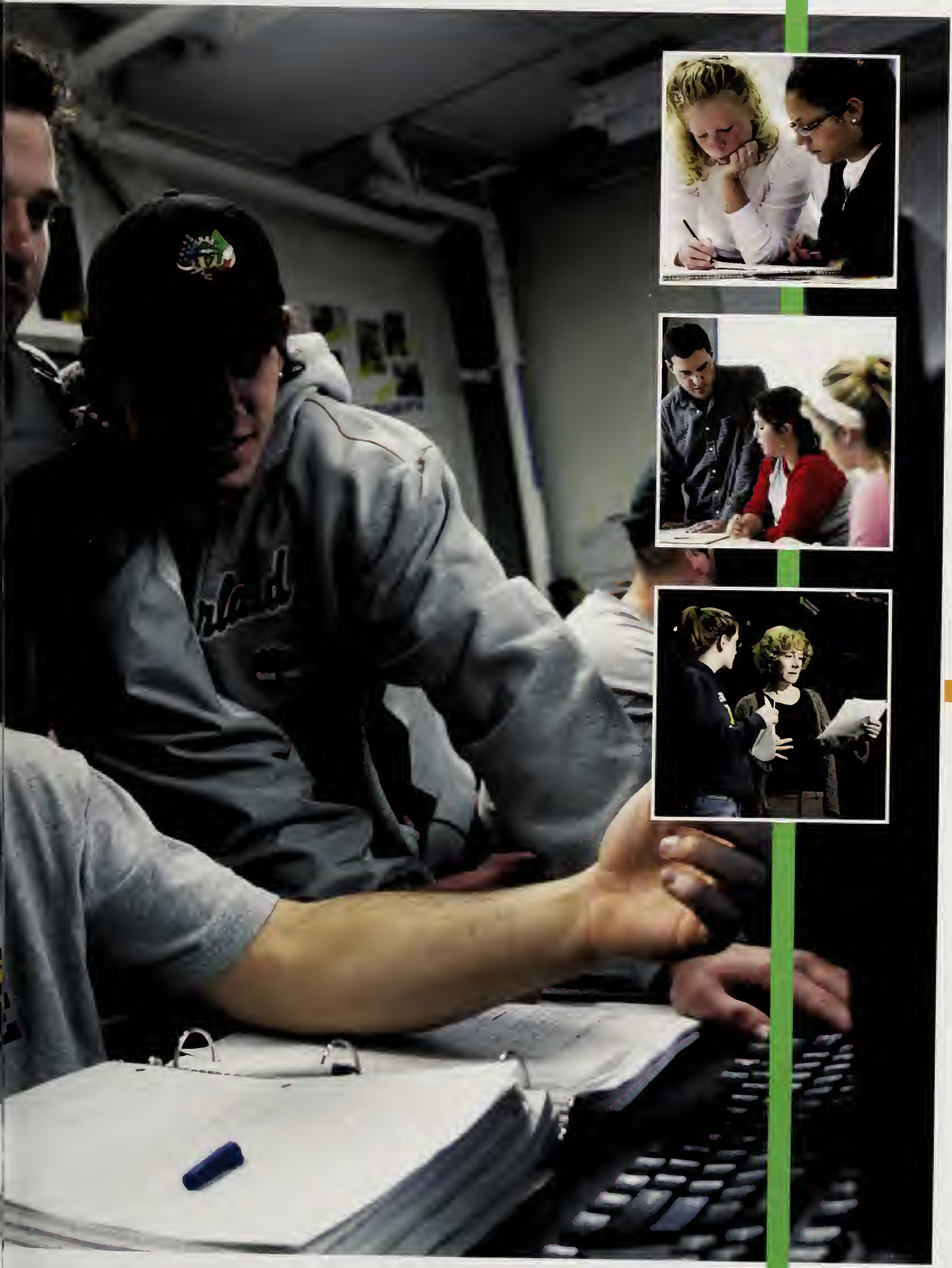
ERRIMACK

H2O2
5
Add H2
Carefull
GELATIN + N

NOTRE DAME



MERRIM
LACR



DELIGHTFULLY
TACKY
T UNREFINED

Von Dutch

# up close

a few thoughts from some of our amazing faculty members

## Erin Seaton

### psychology

I think I share a great deal of who I am with my students, so I don't think there is much about myself that would surprise any of my students. Maybe the thing that would surprise them most was that I struggled with graduate school a great deal. My graduate department was going through major changes when I was there, and I had to face a very difficult decision as to whether or not I would continue on or leave the program. Teaching at Merrimack was an extraordinary gift during this time, as it helped remind me that I wanted to complete my program because I wanted to teach psychology at the college level. Other surprises? I have competed in triathlons. I performed at the MET in New York once. There are still things I want to do. I'd like to write a novel. I also think that I might like to be a pediatrician some day. I love teaching psychology because the study of psychology examines human interactions, learning, and experience—a field that can be relevant to all aspects of my students' lives—relationships, families, work, play, and self-understanding. It's a privilege to get to know my students and to learn about their lives, their struggles, their courage, and their resilience. I always try to make a space in my classes for my students to learn about themselves, and witnessing this kind of self-discovery is incredibly rewarding. There is so much to discover and so many ways to think about how understanding psychology is relevant to our lives. I don't know too many people who have the opportunity to do what they love most. I remember two students from the first class I taught at Merrimack turned me into a true Red Sox fan. I remember my classes after the Red Sox won the World Series. Another particularly memorable moment in teaching were my two General Psychology classes in the fall of 2003—almost all students who graduated this year. These classes were both particularly close-knit groups of students and this created an extraordinary atmosphere of collegiality. I'll never forget playing "Double Dare" in class for John Bowman's student-led discussion. Going on a MORE retreat when I was 8 months pregnant with my son took place outside of the classroom, but was also a most memorable aspect of my experience at Merrimack.

**witnessing self-discove**

**do what they love most**

**true Red Sox fan**

**Give us a brief bio of you & your career:** Got my BFA in painting at Monserrat College of Art. Got my MFA in painting at The New York Academy of Art. Worked in production making aerial banners. Have been teaching at Merrimack for six years. I do alot of commisioned artwork on the side. Anything from sign work to portraits to landscapes. **How does life at Merrimack compare to your own collegiate experience?** It's actually similar to it. I went to small art schools so the teachers were very accessible and you were not just a number in a sea of students. **Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life:** I think it is incredibly important. It's very rewarding to create something that you are proud of and even more so when you didn't think you were capable. Creative thinking can help you out in any aspect of life. **What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you?** That's a tough question. I guess maybe that I went to YMCA swimming nationals three times. **How do you spend a typical weekend?** Biking, painting and spending time with friends and family. Oh, occasionally playing 45's (it's a New England thing). **What's the most rewarding part of teaching?** Getting through to students that have a defeatist attitude about art and being creative. It's when those students break through and create something special. Also taking students under you wing who are interested in developing there art work. **What's the most difficult part of teaching?** Students who do not try. **Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students?** They are more mature. More focused. **What in your academic career are you most proud of?** Personally I just like to receive compliments from students about the certain class they were in. That means the world to me. **What's your most memorable moment in teaching?** I'd have to say this semester's (Spring 2007) Drawing 2 class. Every student turned in amazing work. I was very proud of every student in that class. I know that is not a very exciting story.

MFA

rewarding to create something

playing 45's

means the world to me

# Chris Lovely

# Debbie London

Dr. Deborah K. London is Assistant Professor in Communication Studies. She began her career as a high school English and speech teacher along with coaching field hockey and debate. After completing her BS in Speech Communication from Syracuse University, London earned a post-baccalaureate in secondary education and English from John Carroll University as well as a master's degree in Speech Communication studies from Emerson College. She worked as a consultant for the Speech Improvement Company in Boston while teaching at several schools part time. Her search for a full time teaching position took her to Sri Lanka. London spent the next five years living and working in S.E. Asia before returning to the States to work on her PhD at Ohio University. After Dr. London earned her PhD, she taught for 2 years at Elizabethtown College in PA before coming to teach at Merrimack College. A published author, consultant, and professor in a range of areas in communication studies, she has moved close to twenty times since college. Dr. London hopes this will be her last move for a very long time. **How does life at Merrimack compare to your own collegiate experience?** Life at Merrimack is very different to my experiences as an undergraduate at Syracuse University. But beyond the obvious things like size college students have more similarities than differences. **Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life:** The value is immeasurable. As my students can tell you, it's the numbe one requested job skill across all professions. And on a personal level, whose communication can' use some improvement? **What's your most memorable moment in teaching?** I have many memorable moments from teaching overseas. However, at Merrimack I'd have to say it will most likely be this year' commencement. This is my fourth year here and the Communication Studies seniors graduating (2007 have been in my classes every one of those years. That hasn't always been a good thing for them bu I will miss each and every one of them. **Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students?** enjoy helping them realize and shape their goals and try and figure out where they fit in the world.

*Speech Communication*

*published author*

*the value is immeasurable*

*commencement*

*where they fit in the world*

The most rewarding part of teaching is experiencing the student who begins to understand the authentic meaning of what is meant by saying that Merrimack College is a Roman Catholic school or higher education in the Augustinian Tradition and then seeing them begin to live that ideal once they graduate. I've had many marriages of recent alums; talking with them about the meaning of life and what it means to be married or seeing them choose careers connected with Christian service, becoming Augustinian Volunteers, experiencing some former members of Best Buddies choosing to work with special needs groups. I find such things to be extremely rewarding personally. Finally, and perhaps the most important: I have been very blessed with some enduring friendships with the young adults I have encountered here, not only in the classroom but on the athletic fields, courts and rinks, among retreatants on M.O.R.E., students I eat with in the cafeteria. My life has been enriched and rewarded from these many encounters. Most difficult part of teaching for me: grading papers and making a judgment about a grade, trying to be fair and understanding that different individuals have different gifts. Why work with collegiate-aged students? I think my lived experience provides me with some worthwhile lessons to share with young people of this age. I also find that often they offer me an optimistic view of the future of our world and of the Catholic Church. When I began ministering here in the Fall of 1999, I was 69 years old; I seriously wondered if I was too old, that I would not be able to relate to the students. I quickly realized that I was a kind of grandfather figure for many of them. I simply tried to let them know that I liked being with them; I was interested in their lives, etc. I have learned that they have much to offer our world and our Church. I guess I am most proud of the fact that I developed the Pellegrinaggio in Italia opportunity for folks at M.C. as a direct result of the work that I did pursuing my doctoral studies at Catholic University when I was 63 years of age. It has been a great lesson that education is an ongoing process and a great privilege. I am indebted to the Augustinian Order for providing me with so many opportunities to continue to learn and grow as a human being, a friar and a priest. Most memorable moment in teaching: Again, it is difficult to pinpoint one moment. Upon reflection, I think that with the many opportunities I have had in interacting with members of the alumni, to experience the growth that I have observed from watching students begin their college career as an 18 year old individual and then seeing the maturation process that has taken place when they are in their mid to late twenties and to realize that I have played some small part in that growth.

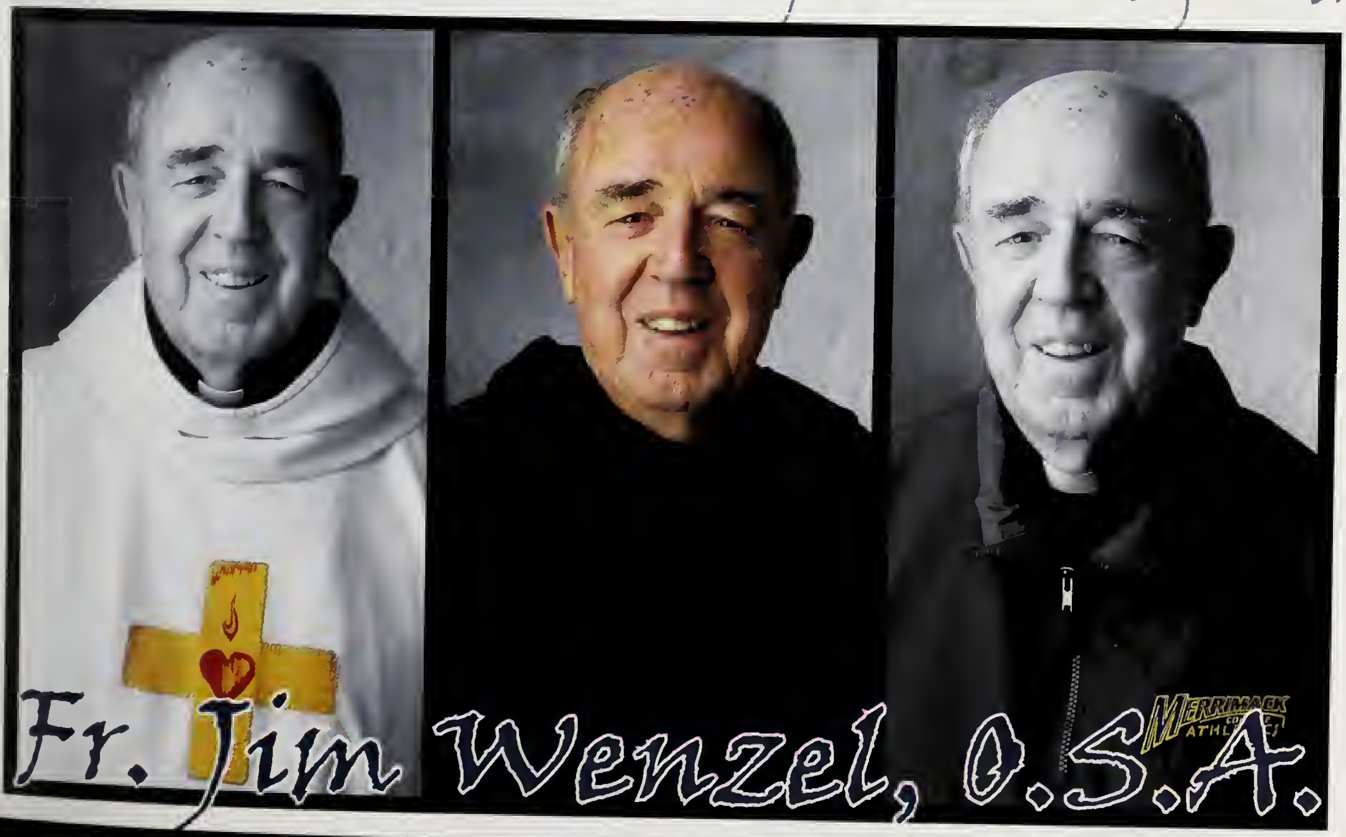
*meaning of life*

*i have been blessed with...*

*lived experience*

*Augustinian Order*

*small part in that growth*



# Fr. Jim Wenzel, O.S.A.

I came to Merrimack in 1969-1970 and have been here ever since teaching sociology. The reason I had picked sociology for graduate school was because it was broad and the most interesting to me. I figured that all of my interests were somehow touched in the field and that I would never get bored. That is still the case today. Each day when I read the paper, virtually everything I digest from the paper makes up data for me to see from a sociological perspective. Every day is exciting to me from that perspective. I think students would be surprised to see the extent to which my interests in popular culture and sports intrigue me and how these also contribute data for my sociological understanding of life. A typical weekend for me is not that different from the rest of the week. I read the paper closely and work on course preparations but I do have more time for exercise, watching movies, and work around the house. The most rewarding part of teaching is really learning about what will be covered in classes and presenting it well so that a significant number of students "get it" and enjoy getting it. The most difficult part is the whole grading process. I think faculty abhor this almost as much as students do. I like teaching college age students because they are at a great time of life when they are opening up to new ideas. I am most proud of earning the Ph.D., getting tenured and promoted, publishing, and developing to the point where at least some of the time I have been able to teach effectively. I have many memorable moments in my teaching experience The best ones are those when I expressed an idea well and communicated it to students whose perceptions, in turn, helped me to learn as well.

*sociology*

*every day is exciting*

*get it*

*helped me to learn as well*

# John Dalphin

I've spent most of my career here at Merrimack. In fact, I was born in Monican basement, and finally got transferred to the Library basement at age 19. My own collegiate experience was art school in the age of punk music, so, I'd have to say, a little different. Teaching photography is important because it records life's moments, something we all need to pay careful attention to. I think my students would be surprised to know that, although I'm a product of the 80's, I never listened to Boy George. My weekends are spent in front of my Play Station II on the beaches of Normandy. The most rewarding part of teaching: Getting to know my students. The most difficult part of teaching: Getting to know my students. I prefer teaching college because collegiate-aged students are much less violent than 3rd graders. I'm most proud of my students when I see how much they've grown. My momst memorable moment was when one student arrived early for the first day of one of my classes and asked me, "Do you know the teacher?"

PUNK MUSIC

PHOTOGRAPHY

NEVER LISTENED TO BOY GEORGE

SEE HOW MUCH THEY'VE GROWN

DO YOU KNOW THE TEACHER?

# KEVIN SALEMME

Merrimack
20

Warriors
13

SPORTS ETC
781-646-1600
Sal's
PIZZA
PALLARDI
19

CM

# athletics

# men's cross country

MERRIMACK
404

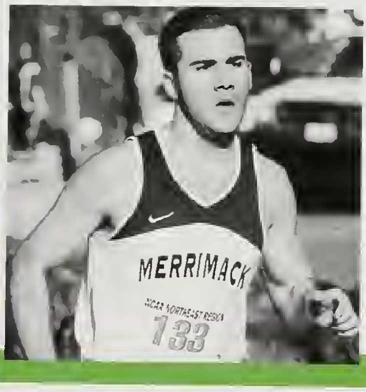
MERRIMACK
402
SAINT ROSE

MERRIMACK
410
328

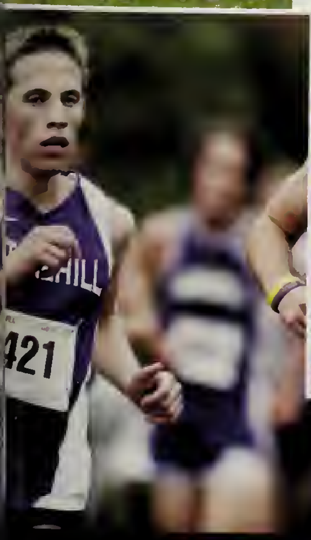
MERRIMACK
403

2006-2007 Roster
Brian Casey
Garry Cuneo
Adam Holmes
Adam Johnson
John Kelley
Andrew Slesinski
Jay Standley
Chris Stanwyck
William Stiles
Michael Sweeney
Patrick Van Schaick
Jefferson Welch

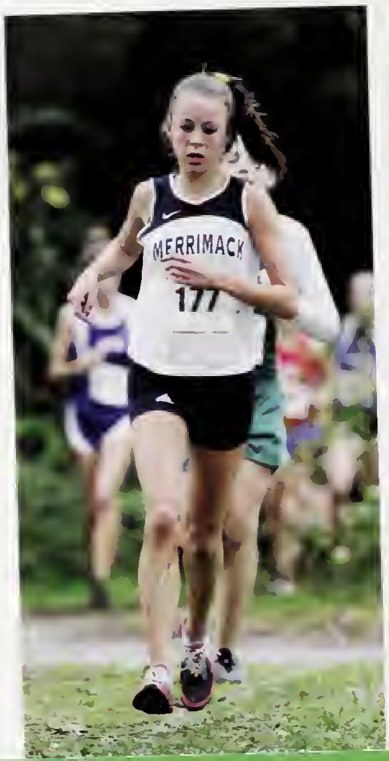
MERRIMACK
405


MERRIMACK
133

MERRIMACK
411
325
BENTLEY
285
310
365



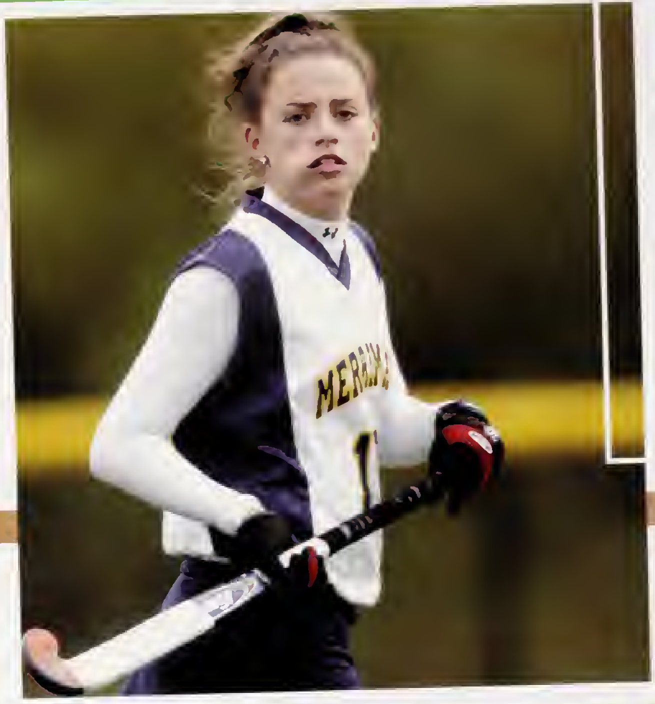
# women's cross country


MERRIMACK
177

MERRIMACK
172

MERRIMACK
178

2006-2007 Roster
Laura Beatty
Jackie Chase
Linsey Cohen
Jackie Fazioli
Janelle Hickey
Nicole Lombardi
Jessica Maxner
Brianne McDonough
Katelyn Meagher
Alison O'Brien



MERRIMACK
7

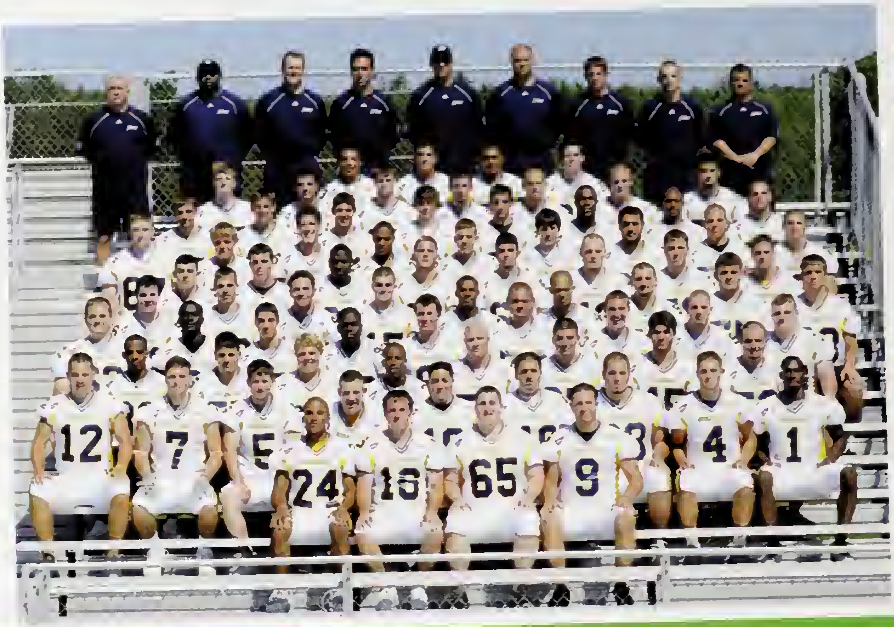
### 2006-2007 Roster

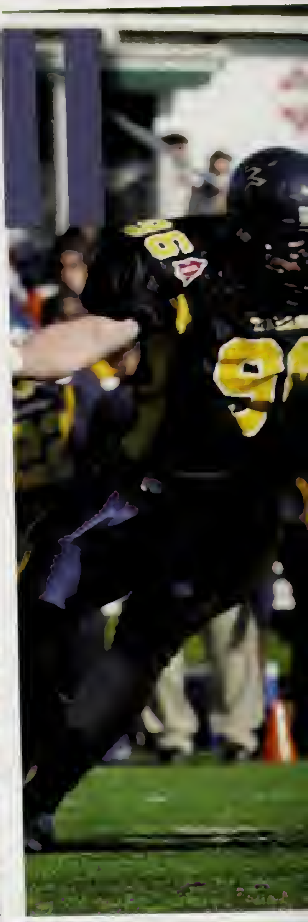
Amy Larrabee
Jaclyn Germano
Grace Farnham
Jenna Picco
Anne Rounce
Blair Corcoran
Keri Gerrish
Maggie Florence
Elizabeth Seni
Michelle DaRocha
Laura Hansbury
Cassandra Leone
Katelin Gisonno
Beth Riportella
Siobhan Minior
Krista Gordon
Jaclyn Backman
Allison Doliner
Jessica DeLacey
Kristen Belair
Meaghan Nugent
Sarah Mills
Jillian Tobin

MERRIMACK
6

# field hockey

# football





**2006-2007 Roster**

Reynaldi Audate
Marc Benjamin
Randy Hurley
Colin Temple
Terence Kent
Mike Sarnese
Chris McNeill
Shane Brown
Ryan Salter
Andrew Rebello
Victor Adesanya
D.J. Dolan
Jeff White
Ryan DiGregorio
Joe Jolicoeur
Matt Mikaitis
Ed Sciaba
Paul Pisani
Tommy White
Mike Young
Carlos Zapata
Anthony Taylor
Jawara Loftis
Andrew Jackson
Jordan Rankine
Richard Johnson
Mike Kent
Mike O'Brien
Sam Blevines
J.D. Wild
Jake Manning
Justin Sullivan
Dan DeSimone
Nicholas Leverone
Bobby Gill
Nick Cappellucci
Sean Garvey
Justin Murray
Jason Vergados
Tom Nolan
Dennis Works
Brian Castellucci
Sean McFee
Juan Graziano
Jim Corkum
Rich O'Donnell
Joe Rickoff
Doug Keach
Matt Nikas
Brendan Burke
Chris Cotter
Jon Herook
Scott Hayden
Brian Frazier
Walter Hartley
Chris Evans
Adam Burt
John Bowman
Patrick Riley
Chris Troisi
Christopher Warren
Nate Boynton
Evan McDonald
Steve Chuilli
Chris Laham
Patrick McGrail
Russ Gray
Joe Pasquantonio
Patrick Easley
Andrew Kokoska
Bernard Cooper
Adam Ardan
Willson Perjuste
James Pollard
Chuck Manthei
Eric Bosworth
Shane Reilly

# women's soccer

Shannon Rowan
Nicole Snizek
Caitlin Stephan
Susanne Carter
Nikki Abruzzese
Heather Carr
Kristina McSharry
Katie Viele
Gabrielle Gramprey
Jenny Richard
Danielle Barry
Brittany Gustafson
Paola Contreras
Jackie Vickers
Laura Asbell
Heather Macedo
Caitlin Hall
Kristin Anderson
Lili Mancini
Amy Pelletier
Alyssa Wollman
Hillary McGarr
Jennifer Conway
Kellie Connolly
Jessica Talbot

Merrimack
23

# men's soccer

Rob Pedra
Jason Baker
Eric Gomes
Kiel Milliken
Aidan Forde
Thomas Nielsen
Farid Issa
Tokelo Gugushe
Martin Gabadian
Tiago Dalboni
David Josephs
Sean Stokes
Andrea Ciano
Marco Franzese
Kyle Lortie
John Casali
Chris Bierbaum
Boris Senic
Nick Faivre
Maxime Obongono
Matt Sanderson
Daniel Gerhardt
Donnie Aylward
Paul Phelps
Greg Motta

# volleyball

2006-2007 Roster
Danielle Romeo
Kim Faust
Kerry Shannon
Jordan Giboney
Kristin Applegate
Briana Kane
Ale Kuncaitis
Rose Hodgson
Lisa Barr
Alison Martin
Elyse Lorenz
Jamie Doerrier

MERRIMACK
6

MERRIMACK
9
NE-10
MERRIMACK
7
1

MPIONS
9
Baden

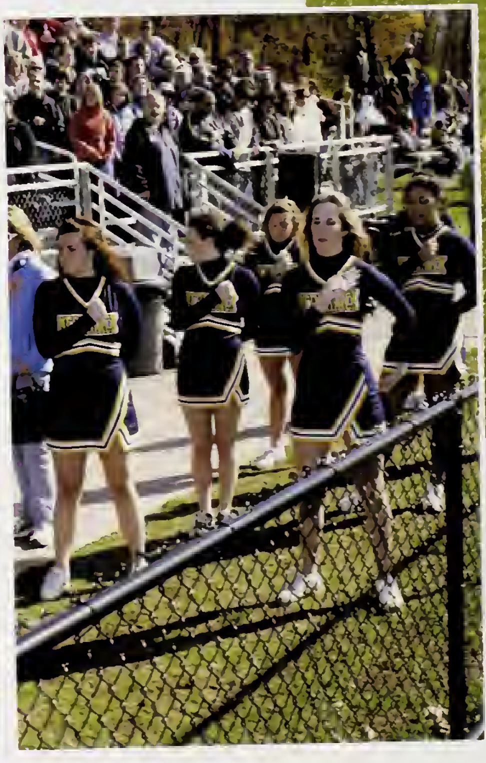
Cafua Management Company
nkin' Donuts of N Andc
Official Sp
15
SNHU
13

2000 - REGIONAL SEMI-FINAL

rrimack
LLEGI
RRIORS

Mer
COL
WA

MERRIMACK
12
MERRIMACK
5
MERRIMACK
7
MERRIMACK
6
15



MERRIMACK
MERRIMACK

MERRIMACK
ATHL

# cheering

# men's hockey

BOYLE
10
MERRIMACK
20
20

RUCKER
Andover
HAMBURGE
ACCEP

2006-2007 Roster

Joe Loprieno
Pat Bowen
Chris Kane
John Goebel
Matt Byrnes
Mickey Rego
Carmen Posteraro
Matt Jones
Mike Vaskivuo
Brian Boulay
J.C. Robitaille
Chris Nugent

Pat Kimball
Derek Pallardy
Mike Alexiou
Justin Mills
Brandon Sadlowski
Rob Ricci
Brock Wilson
Ryan Sullivan
Justin Bonitatibus
David Burkholder
Patrick Watson
Andrew Braithwaite
Jim Healey

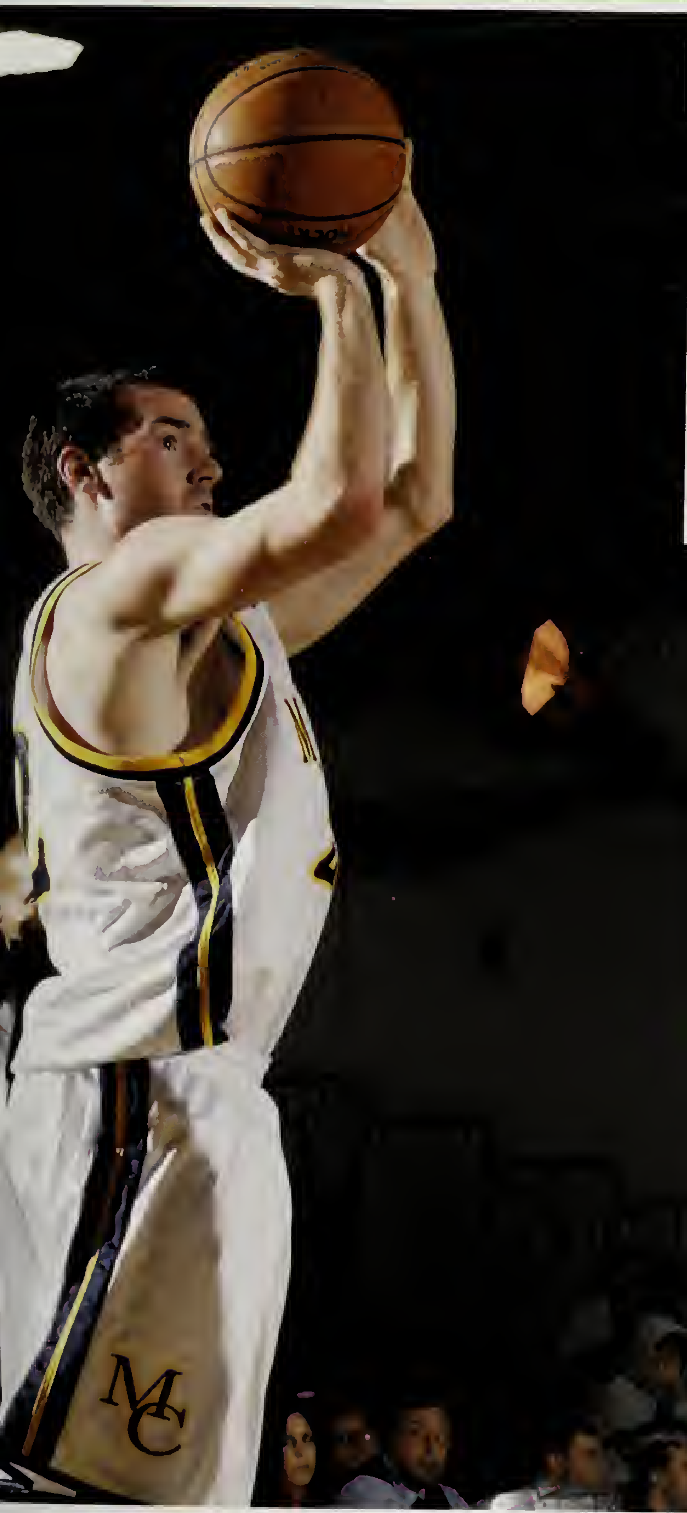
d Pilgrim
Care
MERRIMACK
16
KIMBALL
18
2692

MERRIMACK
COLLEGE

MERRIMACK
31

MERRIMACK
14
ST. ANSE

MERRIMACK



MERRIMACK
12
20

2006-2007 Roster

Jeff Hansbury
Micky Burtnyk
Carlos Brown
Darren Duncan
Kenny Jones
Jamie Smith
Tom Sipsey
Craig Woehnker
Gerry Corcoran
David Kennedy
Brian Caira
Jared Brownlee
Olatungie Lightfoot-Taylor
Chiedozie Offiah
Chris LoPiano

# men's basketball

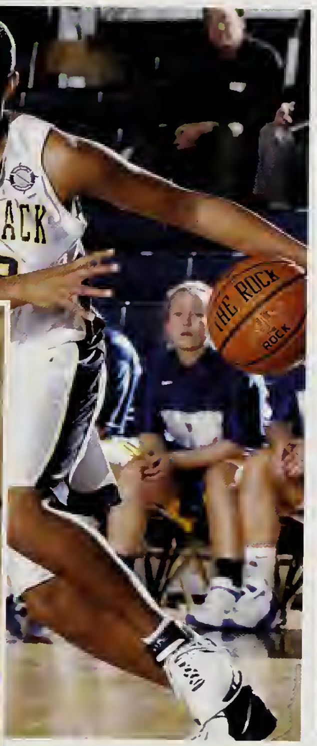
# women's basketba

Casey Miller
Takeya Faison
Amanda Shannon
Liz Imbriacco
Katie Scurrah
Ashley Brownlee
Bryna Batten
Gately Golden
Kara Borelli
Amy Kulp

MERRIMACK
42

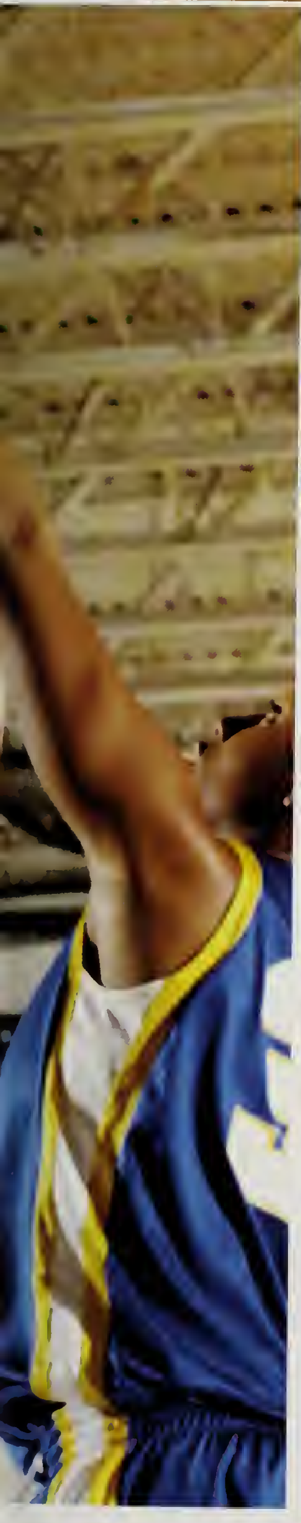
MERRIMACK
32

FRANKLIN PIERCE
LE MOYNE
MERRIMACK
12


MERRIMACK
THE ROCK

MERRIMACK
33

MERRIMACK
22



MERRIMACK
4

MERRIMACK
12
30
33
42
14
32
13
15
4
23

Warriors
2

Wa

Warriors
2

Warriors
7

Warriors
Warriors
Warriors
33

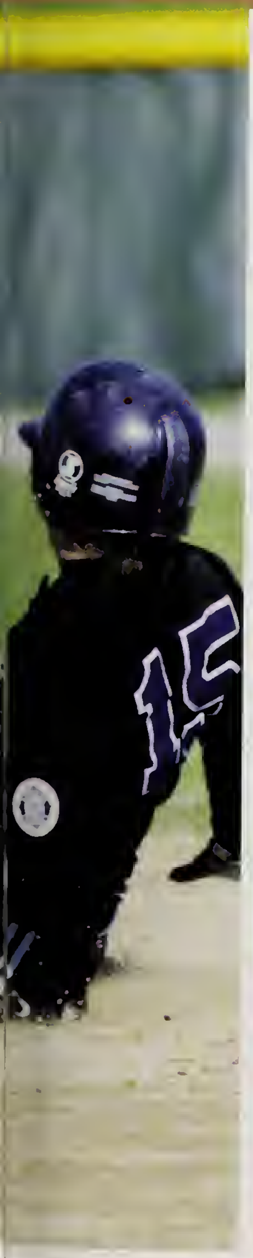
# baseball

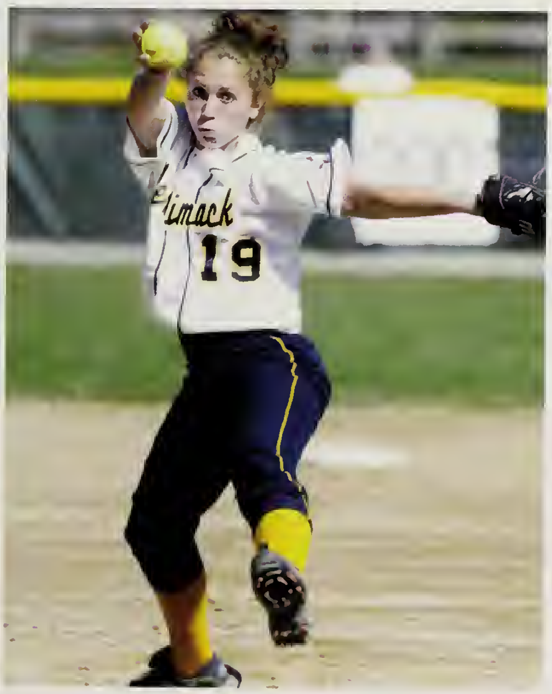
**2006-2007 Roster**

Jeff Bercume
Ryan Shepard
Brendan Pyburn
Eric Malinowski
Mike Savastano
Nick Leverone
Mike Andre
Brian DeMasse
Rory Gentile
Jake Tauber
Mark Pierre
Bob McCarthy
Mike Chandler
Rick Sotiropoulos
Kevin Allen
Dan Scott
Doug Heald
Dustin Sullivan
Mike Lanciani
John Katsetos
Chris Smith
Ryan McNeil
Nick Buckman
Josh Sohn
Dylan Ellis
Ryan O'Rourke

# softball

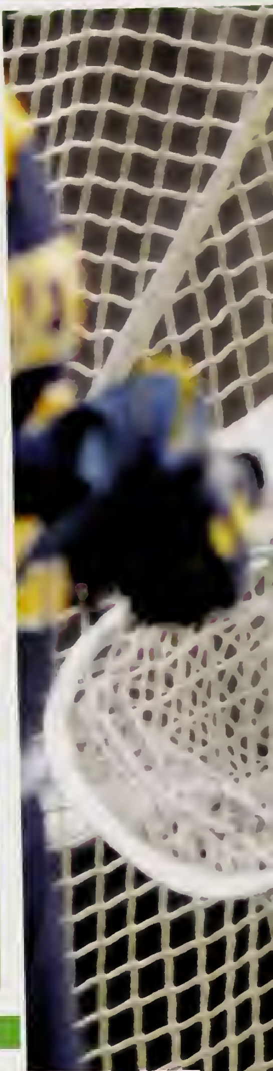
2006-2007 Roster
Tracy Vadala
Jane Donahue
Jill Richards
Clarissa Lewis
Felicia Astorino
Kristin Hodder
Clarice Pepper
Jill Gagnon
Courtney Garner
Atlee Cahill
Vicky Cotter
April Eringis
Casey Conetta
Emily Cummings
Katie Crowley
Kristen Belair
Courtney Wheeler
Annie MacDonald
Jill Bradford





2006-2007 Roster

Paul Hagerty
Eric Tompkins
Sean Foley
Kyle Beaudoin
Matthew Herrold
Stephen Mazza
Christopher Elia
Andy Teeling
Thomas Fennel
Greg Harrington
Justin Zakhar
Michael Miano
Timothy Roy
Greg Rogowski
Bryan MacPhie
Dennis Rugg
Michael Nieporent
Jonathan Nolet
Sean Lavin
Shane Mahar
Derek Maroni
Dave Dawley
Mark Webber
Brian Contona
Jo Pisano
Taylor Robarts
Sean Garvey
Peter Vitale
Reid Eichelberger



# men's lacrosse

# women's lacrosse

2006-2007 Roster

- Amanda DiNitto
- Amanda Poor
- Lauren Leddy
- Kelly Pasquantonio
- Mia Basile
- Amanda Simeone
- Maddie Basile
- Meaghan Winters
- Erica McMahon
- Jessica Morris
- Victoria D'Amato
- Jennifer Strachan
- Nicole Gerosa
- Kerri Bomil
- Jennifer Fox
- Kathleen Keeman
- Meredith Prior
- Kathleen Esposito
- Marissa Sanseverino

MERRIMACK
8

MERRIMACK
24

15

MERRIMACK
7

MERRIMACK
14

MERRIMACK
16

MERRIMACK
15

# tennis

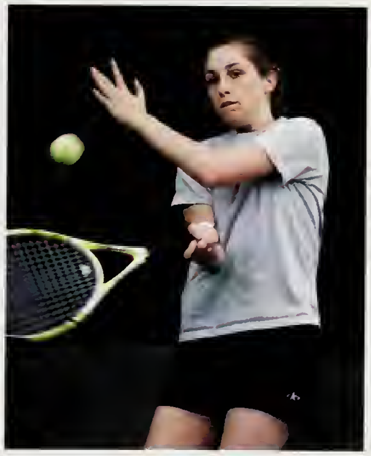
2006-2007 Roster

Nora Cahill
Elise Dufour
Caitlin Dunn
Andrea Faris
Brittany Holmes
Jessica Lamb
Allison Lydon
Alison Mincarelli
Joe Collins
Chris Dobi
Dan Hrobak
Brian Reilly
John Seaward
Steve Viglione
Adam Wilding

MERRIMACK

MERRIMACK
ATH. DEPT.

MERRIMACK



# Clubs

MERRIMACK COLLEGE
MERRIMACK TENNIS
TATIONAL
lotto
Mercol
ERRIMACK

**Alpha Sigma Tau**

Back row (l-r):Carolyn Lamore, Melanie Barbarula, Chrysten Tommey (advisor), Erin Clark

Middle row (l-r): Ashley Philbrick, Jennifer Goodus, Laura DeGrandpre

Front row: Christine Reino

**American Marketing Association**

(l-r): Nichole Baldwin (Treasurer), Shawna Brackett (Vice President), Alicia Cafarelli (President), Ashley Varano (Secretary), Christine Weiland (Secretary)

**American Society of Civil Engineers**

(l-r): Richard Matson, Steven Mallory, Colin Temple, Joseph Fitzgerald, Joseph Tierney III, Alyssa Barbetta, Peter McGovern, Alison Dadona, Joseph Terranova, Alan Pepin, Paul Greco, John Klipfel, Matthew Gillis

2006-2007 Officers

Alyssa Barbetta, President

Alan Pepin, Vice President

Joseph Tierney III, Treasurer

Alison Dadona, Secretary

**The Beacon**

Back row (l-r): Danny Kent (co-editor in chief), Rory Flynn (co-editor in chief), Scott Pytlik, Kyle Burnell, Lindsey Hutton

Front row (l-r): Dr. Deborah London (advisor), Michael J. Annetti, Sarah Bourouphael, Molly Warren

Missing from Photo: Ashley DeRuosi and Adam Lagasse

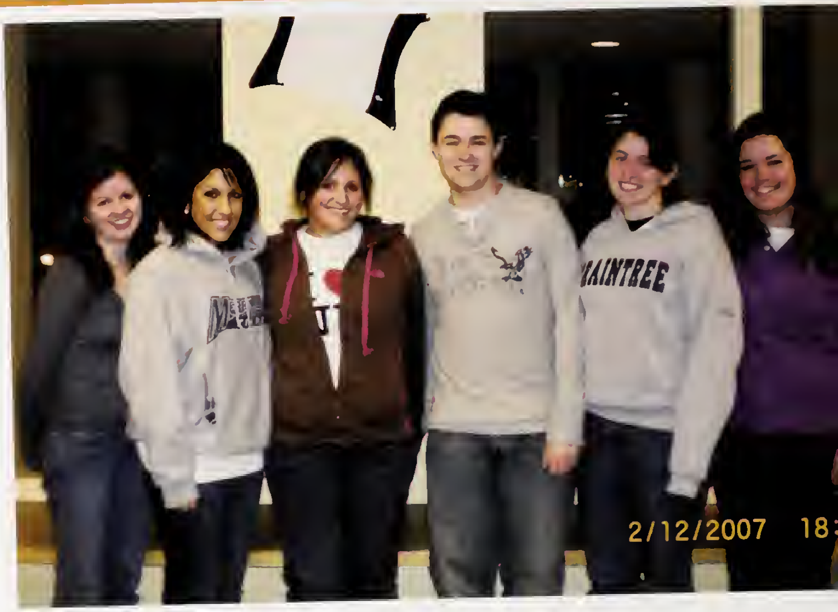
**Bridge Team**

From front: John Klipfel, Alison Dadona, Colin Temple, ALan Pepin, Joseph Tierney III, Joe Fitzpatrick, Paul Greco, Matthew Gillis, Aaron Bradshaw Ph.D, Steven Mallory, Doug Therrien

**Class Council 2007**

Kathryn Lightbown,
Claire Spadoni,
Megan Gibbs,
Joe Caparrella,
Annah Jordan,
Shannon Graham,
Michelle Foreman

**Class Council 2009**
(l-r): Kyle McMullen,
Andrea Faris,
Tori Albano,
Scott Jackson,
Bonnie Mann,
Courtney Lowell



**Dance Team**
(back row, l-r):
Kristen Denecke,
Andrea Barbati,
Stephanie Powell,
Jenna Vinci,
Victoria Scibilia,
(front row l-r):
Meghan Murtagh,
Alisha Tammaro
Rebekah Poteat,
Alyssa Barbetta

**Deegan Hall Council**
(l-r): Connor Gleason,
Maryann Clement, Alexandra
Swanson, Serena Germain.
Not pictured: Kim Adams,
Sean Gerrin

**Onstagers**
**Spring Semester:**
**Cast of "Grease"**

**Phi Kappa Theta**
Back row (l-r): Mike Doyon, Scott Jackson, Mark Keras, John Harrigan, Alfred Nicotra, Tim Bullock, Jon Goll, Addison Ward, Albert Lopes, Eric Daley, Joesph Mastromauro, Colin Coleman, Scott Pytlik
Front row (l-r): Joe Nicotra, Andrew Brennan, Pete Doherty, Bobby Correale, Bill Bacon, Justin Mcneely, Matt Robertson, Tim Guichard

**Student Athlete Advisory Council**
Members: Jared Brownlee, John Seaward, Boris Senic, Tokelo Gugushe, JD Wild, Adam Wilding, Jefferson Welch, Jennifer Burgess, Kristin Anderson, Marissa Sanseverino, Jennifer Fox, Heather Carr, Dennis Rugg, Vicky Cotter, Katie Crowley, Timothy Roy, Lindsey Cohen, Bethany Riportella, Keri Gerrish, Susanne Carter, Matt Jones
Not Pictured: Janelle Hickey, Paul Pisani, Lisa Barr, Katie Scurrah, Gately Golden, Olatungie Lightfoot-Taylor, Mickey Rego, Rick Sotiropoulos, Jeff Bercume, Brian Contona, Greg Rogowski, Brittany Holmes,

Jessica Lamb

### Student Government Association

Back row (l-r): Michael Poirier, Paul Tripodi, Kevin Melanson, Dean Cleary, Brendan Lowell, Marueen Becker, Amy Rowe, Dave Golden, Adam Gilbert, Rob Proscia; Middle row (l-r): Beth Gionfriddo, Mary Lyons, Maryann Clement, Meghan Heran, Jennifer Fox; Front row (l-r): Bobby Klieven, Dan Sullivan, Kevin Sell, Dave Colarteau, Michael Hemingway, Jenna Hardy, Missy McCourt, Angela Monsini, Katie Jeffrey

### Tau Kappa Epsilon

Back row (l-r): Brian McLarney, Nick Gabriello, Alex Meyer, Coleman O'Brien, Jason Denig, Collin Meyer, Matthew Giodano,
Nick Sawchuk, Tim Donnovan, Pat Graham, Tim Tognacci, Matt Adams, Lee Lemoine, Matt O'Connell, Chris Biele
Front row (l-r): Rob Sauter, Tim Loiselle, Tim Linehan, Colin Dempsey, Kurt Gronberg, Paul Chicarello

### Theta Phi Alpha

Back row (l-r): Jenny Powers, Chrissie Britt, Jenn Puleo, Katie Reissfelder, Alicia Cafarelli, Maria Yu, Erika Downing
Middle Row )l-r): Jess Osborne, Kate Mulcahy, Kim Snow, Marki Conway, Danielle Chianca, Marie Eliot, Kristina Teebagy
Front Row (l-r): Colleen Hughes, Cassie Burke, Mai Vo, Chrissy Mariano, Christina Crosby
Not Pictured: Heather Danehy, Carolyn Landry, Kyle McMullen

**Yearbook**

(l-r): Stephanie Kelliher, Janine Moretti, Editor-in-Chief Katie O'Neil, Christina Tamer

**Zeta Tau Alpha**

# Thomas Huntley Duch Neilsen

Thomas,
Your wish has come true. You have finally stayed at one school and in one country for four years. Merrimack College has been a great match for you.
You have been a student, athlete, friend, big brother and a great mentor to your little brother, Patrick.
We are very proud of you and your accomplishment and we hope you will continue t reach out for your goals. The sky is the limit.
"Godt klaret og de bedste onsker for fremtiden"
We love you,
Mor, Far and Patrick

To Our Son D.J.

# D.J. Tibbetts

You are a dream come true - We could not be more proud of the man you have become.

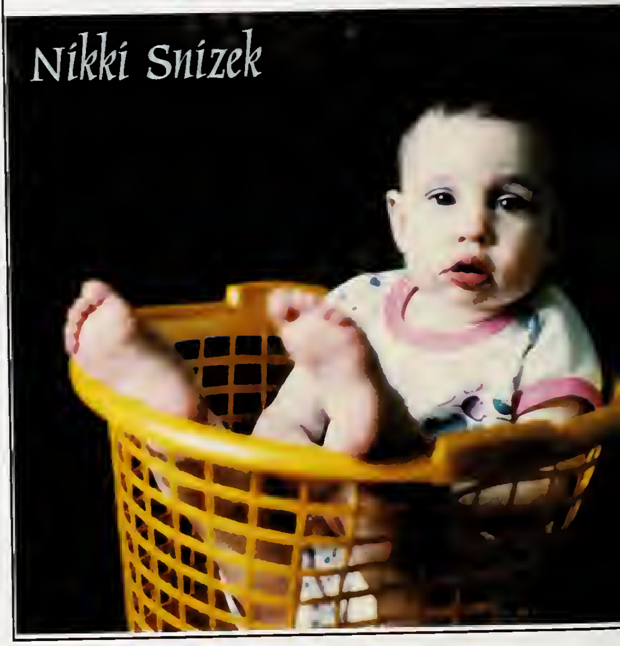
Your dedication, commitment and desire towards achieving your career goals in life, is truly an inspiration to us both.

Always remember, " Find Confidence Within Your Heart and Let it be Your Guide ".

We are convinced you will be successful in all aspects of your journey through life and are blessed to have you as our son.

Dear Nikki,
We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished. Keep reaching for the stars and follow your dreams. Your life will be the adventure you have imagined!
Love, Mom, Dad & Jake

# Nikki Snizek



# Megan C. Gibbs

Megan - You have had such a great college experience.
We are very proud of all you have accomplished!!!!
Love - Mom, Dad, Brendan & Lindsay

# Lauren Sykes

Good luck and God bless you, Lauren!
You have grown into a mature, confident young woman. We are very proud of you and your accomplishments. May all your hopes and dreams come true.
Love, Mom, Dad & Brad

# Jenna Pierce

*To our darling Jenna,*
*We are so proud of you and*
*all your accomplishments.*
*You have grown up to be*
*such a beautiful person.*
*We wish you love*
*and happiness always.*
*You mean the world to us.*
*All our love,*
*Mom, Dad, and Brittany*

# Jennifer Salamone

Jennifer Salamone

Jennifer Salamone

A Coney Island of the Mind
Lawrence Ferlinghetti
15

Constantly risking absurdity
and death
whenever he performs
above the heads
of his audience
the poet like an acrobat
climbs on rime
to a high wire of his own making
and balancing on eyebeams
above a sea of faces
paces his way
to the other side of day
performing entrechats
and sleight-of-foot tricks
and other theatricks
and all without mistaking
any thing
for what it may not be
For he's the superb realist
who must perforce perceive
taut truth
before the taking of each stance or step
in his supposed advance
toward that still higher perch
where Beauty stands and waits
with gravity
to start her death-defying leap
And he
a little charleycaplin man
who may or may not catch
her fair eternal form
spreadeagled in the empty air
of existence

"If happy little blue birds fly, beyond the rainbow, Why, oh why, can't I

Jen - Our pride in your achievements is exceeded only by our love for yo
Here's to a rousing future of exciting possibilities and dreams realized!

Love Mom & Dad, Joe & Chuck

## Michael S. Corbishley

You have become all that we hoped for when you were born. We are so proud of you. As your future unfolds, it is now our hope that all of your dreams will be realized.

Love always,
Mom & Dad

---

Congratulations, graduate! Everything you have accomplished in college went above and beyond our expectations; you've seen the world, been a teacher and a friend, and established yourself as a fascinating and sincere adult. You make us so proud every day and we know that anything you do in the future will bring you success because of your hard work, determination and passion for life. We'll always be there for you and always support your decisions.

We Love You,
Mom, Jonathan, Nana, Grandma and your Aunts & Uncles

## Christopher Hoffman

---

## Michael Cherpak

Michael,
Congratulations on this wonderful achievement! You have worked very hard and accomplished your goal; we are very proud of you! We have always known that you would be successful in whatever you wanted to do. You are a strong and intelligent young man who has a bright future. Always know that your family is here to support you. Keep up the good work and your dreams will always come true. I hope you win the bet! (haha)
Love,
Dad, Mom & Katie

---

## To Our Sweetheart, Danielle

We are so very proud of you and of all you have accomplished. We hope that your goals and your dreams take you to the happiest and most special places your heart can ever know.

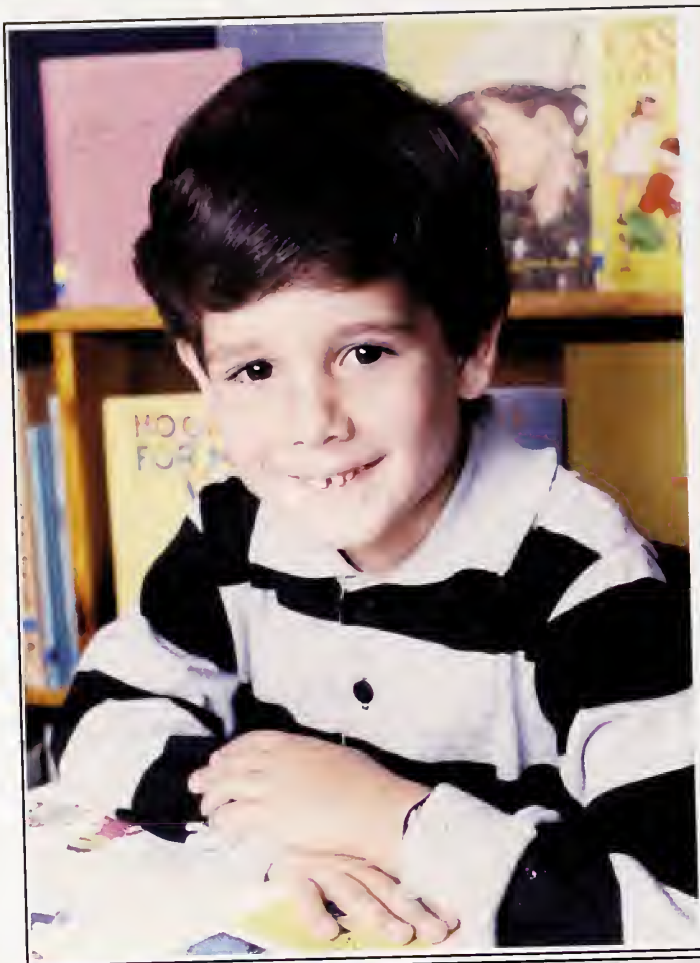
We love you very much!
Mom, Dad, Matthew & Gram

Danielle Brodeur

---

## Stephanie Silva

Congratulations, Stephanie!!
I'm so proud of all your accomplishments. I'm thankful for the daughter you are and for the way you've touched my life.
I love you!
Mom



drew

# DREW INGANAMORT

drew drew

"How Sweet It Is"

CONGRATULATIONS!

All our love,
Mom & "Dr. Lou"

# *Rebecca Dame*

Becky, there are so many happy memories since the day Dad and I brought you home from the hospital, and there are many more to be made. A new chapter in your life is just beginning. Live life to the fullest and remember to take time to enjoy yourself. My wish for you is to find all the happiness you deserve. Always remember how very proud I am of you and how very much you are loved.
Love, Mom

Becky, It seems like I was just writing one of these for your high school yearbook. Thanks for being such a great sister. Even though I may not act like it, I do appreciate everything you do for me. Good luck with everything!
Love, Michelle

## JOHN MOSCI

Congratulations, John!

We are so proud of you.

Mom, Dad, Katherine, & Michael

## Timothy Donovan

Tim,
Together, we are a winning team. You have always led the way with your high standards and great accomplishments.
Keep reaching for the stars.
Our Love Forever,
Your Family

## Emily Doyle

Congratulations, Miss Em!

Love, Mom and Dad

## Robert Eardley

Rob,
As you graduate,
We wish you gifts that will last forever,
Laughter, love, and continued friendships.
You will always fill us
With love and pride.
Dad, Mom, Tim and Katie

## Krista Lambroukos

Look how far you have come.

Building Blocks
Preschool

Krista,
We are proud of all that you have done.
We wish you good health and happiness always.
Love,
Dad and Mom

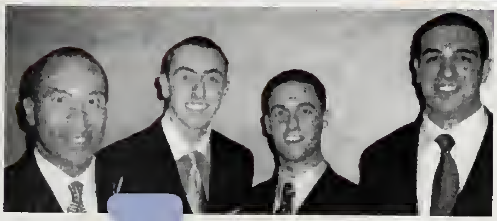
Renée Wertz

# Dearest

# Renée,

From the moment you learned how to walk,
you were always on the move, constantly looking or the
next, new adventure.
Now that your college graduation is upon us, we reflect
on your pre-school pictures with love, pride, and joy at
the amazing, beautiful, young woman we are proud and
honored to call our daughter and sister.
May every hope and dream you have come true. We will
be there to cheer you on with love and encouragement.

Love always,
Dad, Mom, Gerry, Alyssa, and Rylan



## Adam

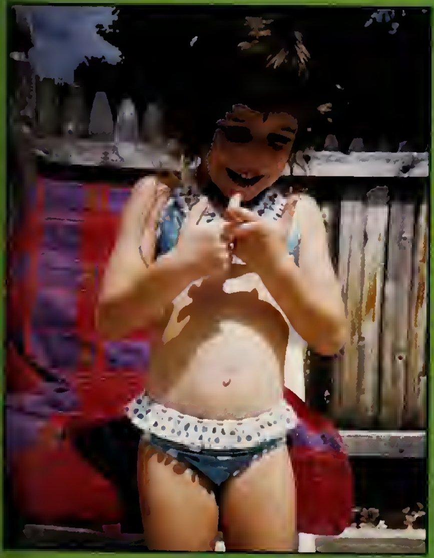
Congratulations on earning your Bachelor's degree! Your four years of hard work and determination have culminated in achieving your goal! We are very proud of you and your accomplishments, and these few words do not express very well how we feel. You have become the son every parent wants: intelligent, responsible, accountable and loving. As you begin your career, we send our best wishes for continued success as you meet new challenges.

Love and happiness always,
Dad & Mom

**Adam Elias**

---

## Beth Gionfriddo



**Short Stuff, Big Ideas.**

We are so proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Joe

angela angela angela angela angela angela angela angela angela angela

angela russo

SANITAT
DUBROVNIK
SANITAT

# Congratulations Angela!

**We love you!**
**Mom and Dad**

angela angela angela angela angela angela angela angela angela angel

Matt DiTillio

# MATT,

Congratulations! Time passes much too quickly. We are so proud of all that you have accomplished. We wish you continued success and much happiness.

Love,
Mom and Dad

# Kerry,

From Kindergarten to College, was there ever any doubt? You should be proud of all that you have accomplished. With your drive and determination, we know that you will continue to be successful. DREAM BIG!!! Remember, all you need is a little touch of pixie dust...

Love and Hugs,
Mom & Dad; Becky, Sarah, & Joe

**Kerry Buckley**

# Maureen,

We want you to dream your dreams. Follow your heart.
Imagine. Listen to the wind. Drink sunsets. Be free. Let
the wonder never cease. Believe. Wish on every star.
Create adventure.
Love you "Littlest Baby."
Mom, Dad, Michael, and Catherine

# Amy Flynn

***From your first "first day of school" to the last, you have always made us so proud!***

***Congratulations Amy!***

***Love,***

***Mom, Dad, and Patrick***

## Amy Forster--

You are well on you
way in your owr
"Field of Dreams.
Congratulations or
all your wonderfu
accomplishments a
Merrimack and we wis
you the best of luck a
Law Schoo

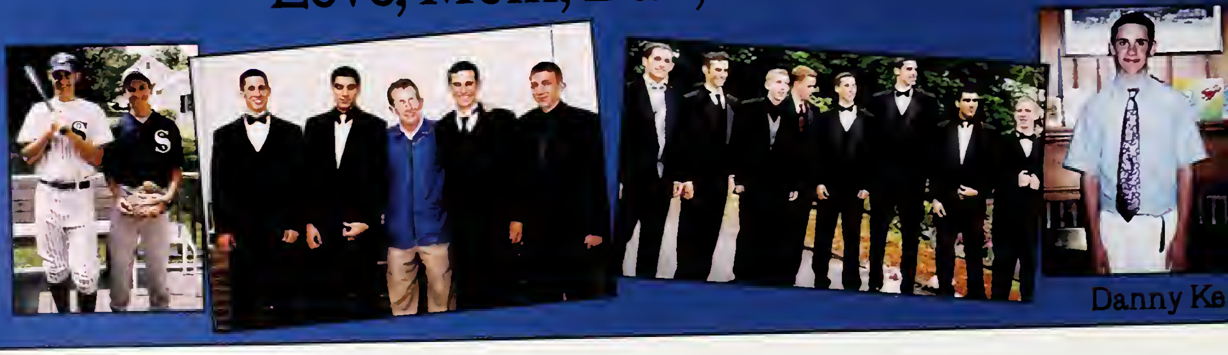
We Love You, Mom, Dad, Kelly, and Kare

## Congratulations NU-E

on your four years of hard work and accomplishments. With your great personality and beautiful smile, you will go far!
We Love You Tons,
Mom, Dad and Brielle
xoxo...

**Vanessa Anderson**

Congratulations Danny!
We are so proud of you.
Love, Mom, Dad, and Mike



**Danny Ke**

# To our Mary Catherine,

*"May the sun shine, all day long*
*everything go right, and nothing wrong.*
*May those you love bring love back to you,*
*and may all the wishes you wish come true."*
*An Irish Blessing*

We are so proud of you. You are a very special woman. Congratulations on all of your accomplishments.

*Much love,*
*Mom, Dad, Bridget, David and Ally XOXO*

Mary Karasczkiewicz

---

**Rory,**

It sure has been a quick - and not too bumpy - ride from the "mungs" in the utility closet at Youngs Road to Co-Editor In Chief of the Merrimack Beacon - and Editor In Chief of BostonMusicSpotlight.com! We're all very proud of you. Continue to strive for your dreams - we know you will reach them.

Love,
Mom and Dad, ASKK and P & B

**Rory Flynn**

---

## Kori Kindya

You have completed your four year journey. This is how you looked when your journey started. It was filled with learning, love, laughter, and good friends. We wish you a bright, successful, and happy future.

All our love,
Mom and Dad

---

## KATIE

**Remember:**
**"Power can be held in the smallest of things."**
**Use it wisely!**
**Lots of Love,**
**Dad, Mom, Paul Jr., Joanna, Brittany, Dana, and Eric**

**Katie Reissfelder**

---

## Alan Pepin

**Alan,** you have accomplished 16 years of school. We are so proud of you! We have watched you grow from being our little baby to a man. Graduating from college and continuing for your Masters is more than what we ever dreamed possible. We thank you for being you: a sensitive, enthusiastic, dedicated, and hard-working son.

We love you so much!
xxoo Mom & Dad

# Aimee Boulanger

## from our little girl to a young lady

LLERICA
5
MERRIMACK
COLLEGE

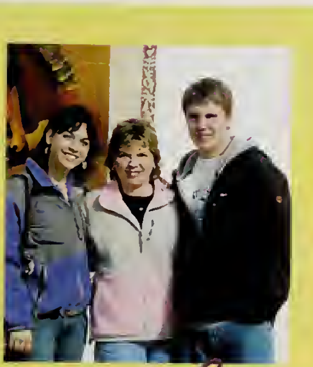
Our beautiful Aimee- from your little smile
the wonderful woman you have become, w
are so proud of you. Congratulations on all
of your hard work. You did it!!! We love yo
very much- Mom, Dad, and Family

# Matthew Freitag
# Love, Dreams, Success!

Dear Son, Brother, and Friend:

Whatever your dreams,
you'll achieve them it seems.
Inspiration you give,
by the example you live.
We all love you so much,
it's our hearts you have touched.

Love, Happiness, and Success to you,
XO Mom, Dad, and Doug



## *Amanda,*

*You are a young lady now and you could not have done it any better. You have a very good, kind heart and a strong, beautiful mind. Go out into the world and make your mark. We could not be more proud of you. The time went by so fast, and we had a blast watching you grow up. It was exciting and fun and busy and sad and we loved every minute of it. We look forward to a safe and exciting future watching the doors of the world open up to you.*

*Love Mom, Dad, and Kevin Jr.*

*Amanda Daigle*

# Claire Marie,

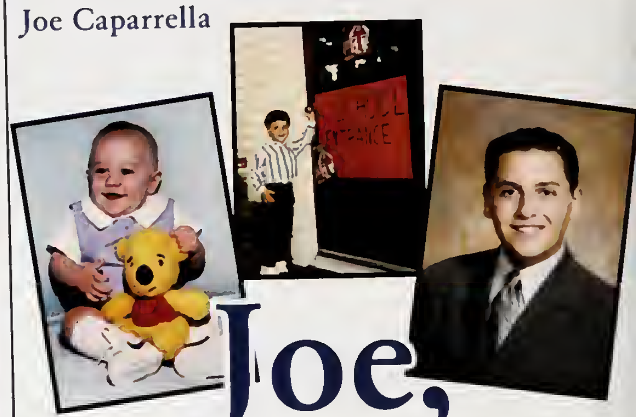
Congratulations-
we're very proud
of you!

Love always,
Mom, Dad,
Pete, and Morgan

Claire Spadoni

---

Joe Caparrella



# Joe,

From the time you were born, through grammar school and high school and now a college graduate, you have always made us proud. As you enter the next phase of your life and begin molding your future, we look forward to watching you reach your dreams with success. As always, we will be here for you.

With love, your family,
Mom, Dad, Jennifer, and Debbie

---

# Megan

***You've come such a long way Baby!!***
***Congratulations!***
***Love,***
***Mom, Dad, and Breda***

*Megan O'Connor*

---

## JILLIAN BUTLER

Dear Jillian,

Life isn't a destination, it's a journey. In the adventur
of each day we watched you grow into a beautiful,
bright, and exceptional adult. You have made us ver
very proud. We wish you a future filled with great
success and may you always be blessed with happine
as you continue the journey of life.

All Our Love,
Mom, Dad, and Ryan

From your first day of kindergarten to your
graduation from Merrimack College, you continued
make us proud of your achievements and success

# Jess,

It's hard to believe that four years have passed and you are graduating. It seems like only yesterday that you were coming home from Miss Patti's Day-Care, and telling us how you "sat in circle." How proud we are to have watched you grow over these years from a young freshman into a confident Merrimack graduate.

Stand strong and proud,
your future is awaiting you
and always remember
don't just dream it, achieve it.

Congratulations Jessica Rose!

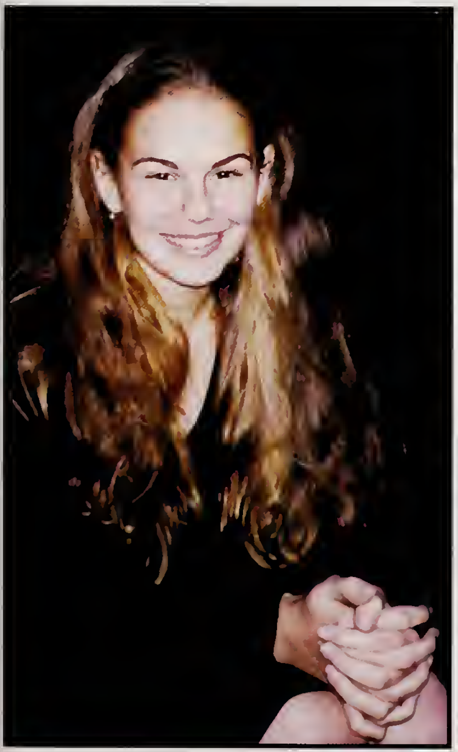
All our love,
Dad, Ma, and Jenni

Jess Williamson

PATTI-CAKE
DAY CENTER
Pantry

# Dear Kathleen,

We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments. You are a beautiful young lady. May you always know the love that surrounds you.
Congratulations!
Our Love,
Mom, Dad, Carolyn, and Emily



Kathleen Keeman

# Colleen Dolan

Colleen-
Words cannot express how proud we are of the wonderful, creative young woman you have become. You have realized a tremendous milestone, one that you should cherish. Our hope is that your dreams will continue to flourish and that the road ahead yields much health and happiness. Always remember that we are there for you.

Love and Congratulations,
Mom and Dad

---

## Congratulations Brittney!

We are all very proud of you May all of your dreams come true!
Love,
Mom, Dad,
Meghan, Dave, & Benjamin

Brittney Sullivan

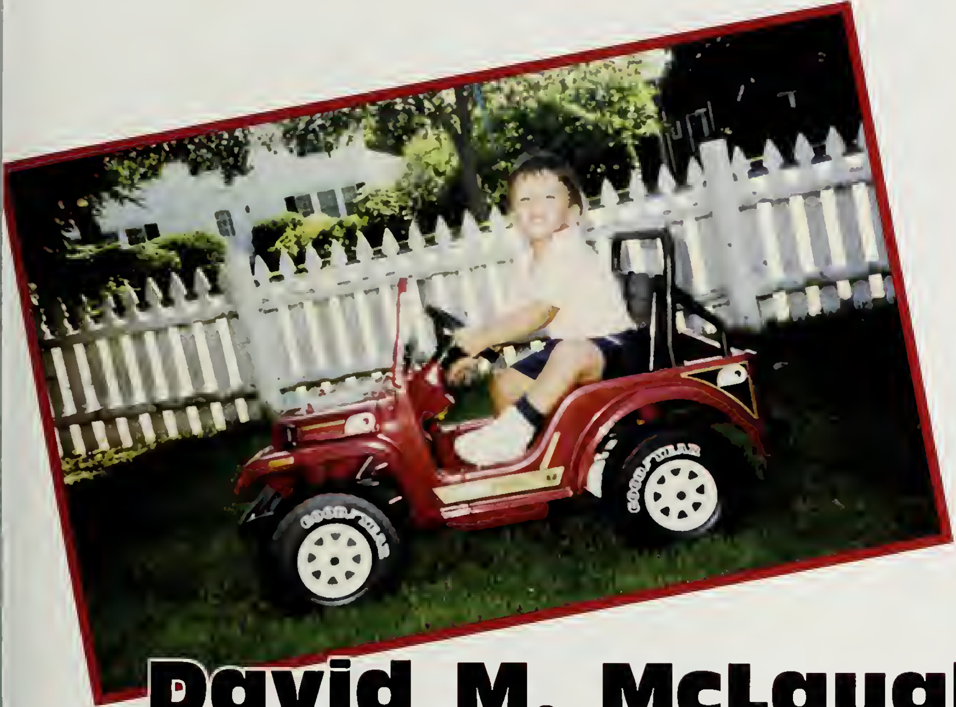
---

# PAUL

## Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

...we are so proud of you.
Congratulations!
Love,
Mom and Dad

**Paul Ebbighausen**



# David M. McLaughlin, Jr.

Congratulations!! We always knew you had a DRIVE for success. The entire family is extremely proud of your accomplishment. We are confident that regardless of whatever endeavor you choose we know you will succeed and we wish you the very BEST OF LUCK!

Love you Always,
Mom & Dad

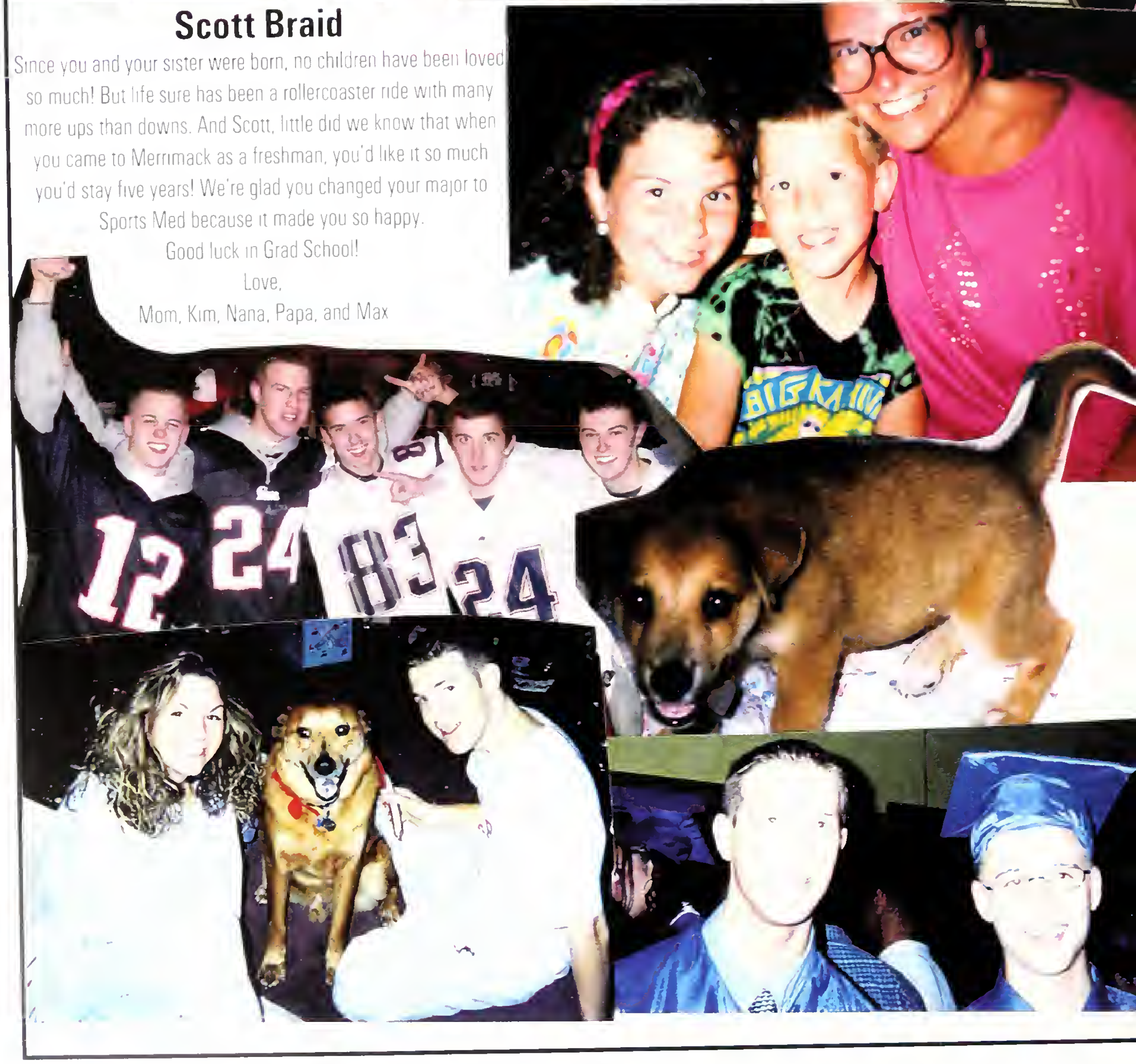
## Scott Braid

Since you and your sister were born, no children have been loved so much! But life sure has been a rollercoaster ride with many more ups than downs. And Scott, little did we know that when you came to Merrimack as a freshman, you'd like it so much you'd stay five years! We're glad you changed your major to Sports Med because it made you so happy.

Good luck in Grad School!

Love,

Mom, Kim, Nana, Papa, and Max



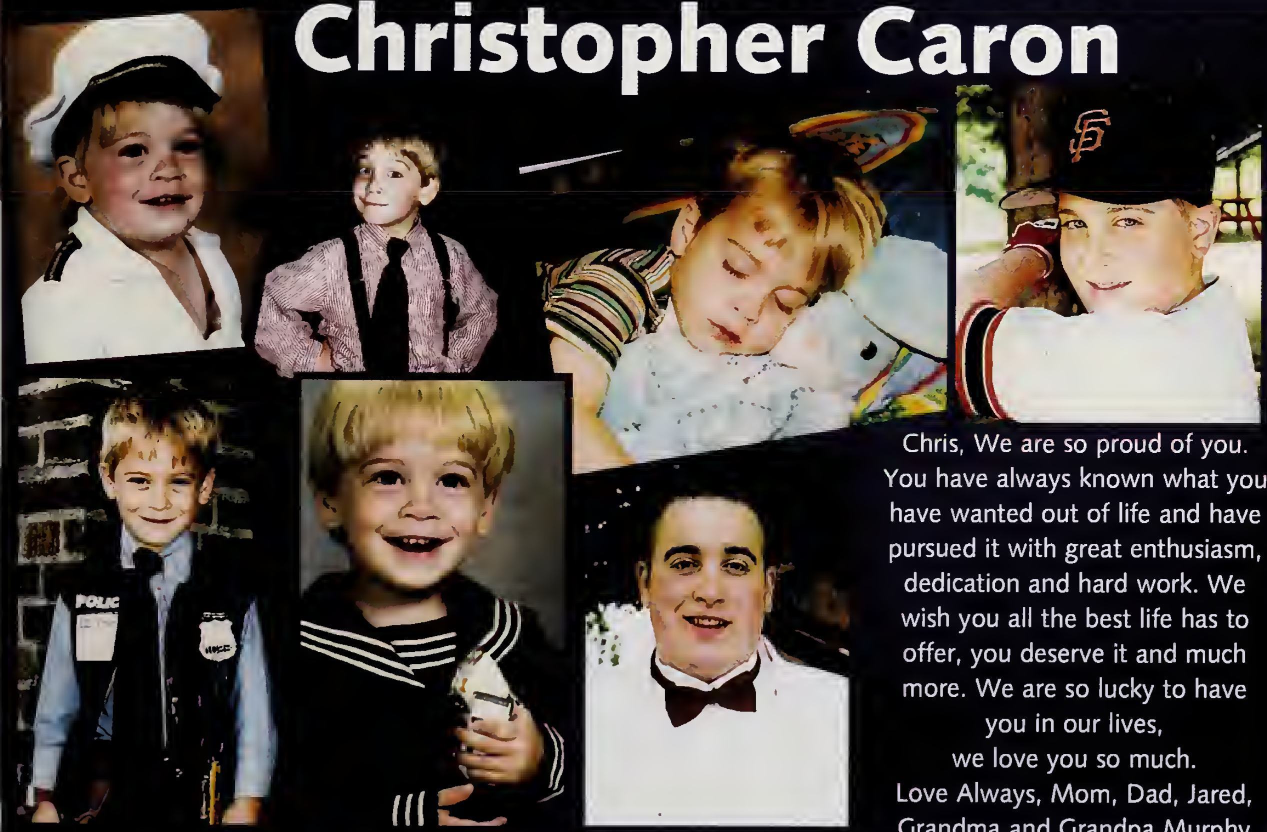
# Congratulations Dan!

**We are so proud of what you have accomplished- and so excited for your future!**

**Love,**
**Mom & Dad**
**Mike**
**Matt**
**Christie & Ricky**
**Matthew**
**Zach**

**Daniel Roderick**

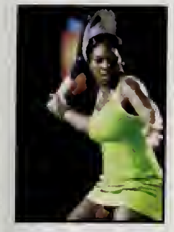
# Christopher Caron

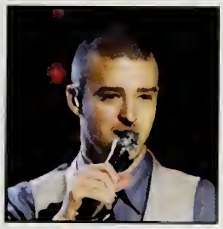


Chris, We are so proud of you. You have always known what you have wanted out of life and have pursued it with great enthusiasm, dedication and hard work. We wish you all the best life has to offer, you deserve it and much more. We are so lucky to have you in our lives,
we love you so much.
Love Always, Mom, Dad, Jared, Grandma and Grandpa Murphy

Survey in Progress
Please do not reshelve Books

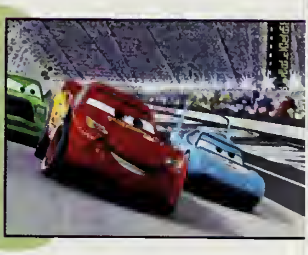
MERRIMACK
COLLEGE
An Augustinian Community

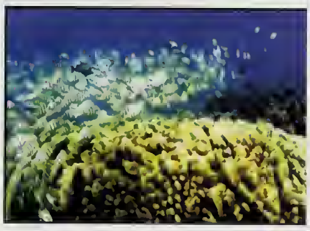




Windows Vista

# 2006 W
# WORLD
# YEAR
# BOOK
# K 2007





HERFF JONES®

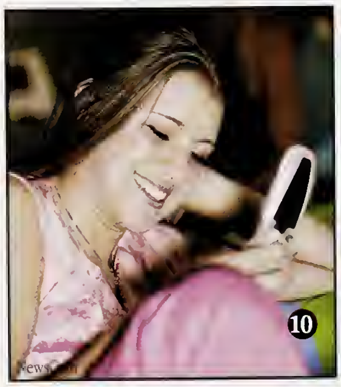
Unless otherwise credited, all photos were supplied by MCT Direct. 0307KH© PRINTED IN USA

# WORL

1. President George W. Bush announced in January 2007 that he would send an additional 21,500 troops to Iraq to improve security and assist with U.S. efforts there. Bush vowed that the Americans killed would not have died in vain. The 2008 budget projection for fighting in Iraq and Afganistan and repairing and replacing equipment lost in combat was an estimated $141.7 billion. American death tolls in Iraq eclipsed 3,150 and the official total for Americans wounded surpassed 23,500.

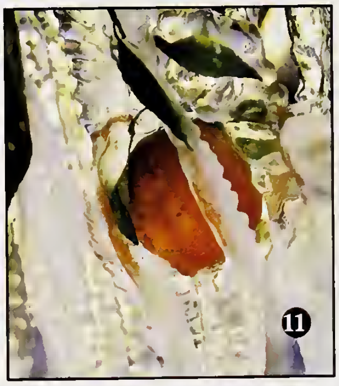
9

NewsCom/Getty Images



10

News



11

# EVENT

2
NewsCom/Nordfoto

3
NewsCom/Getty Images

Austrian police confirmed the identity of tascha Kampusch, believed to have been held ptive since her abduction as a 10-year-old.

**3.** Through the prime cruise season, there were breakouts of the highly contagious norovirus on ships sailing the world's seas. Hundreds fell victim to the virus' flu-like symptoms.

4

5
NewsCom/Getty Images

6

Congress extended Daylight ings Time for the sake of ergy efficiency. Clocks were nged March 11 rather than first Sunday in April.

**5.** Texan Andrea Yates was found not guilty by reason of insanity of murdering her five children by drowning them in a bathtub five years ago.

**6.** A newborn male white buffalo in a Wisconsin herd attracted the attention of Native Americans who consider the animal sacred for its potential to bring good fortune and peace. This is the third white buffalo born into the herd.

7
AFP/Getty Images

8

n January 2007. Northern Europe was hit by an unusually strong storm which killed an Englishman when a falling nch crushed his car. Heavy rains and gale-force winds caused delays in air and sea travel. **8.** Former State Department cial Richard Armitage admitted that he inadvertently revealed CIA employee Valerie Plame's identity to reporters.

BS correspondent Kimherly Dozier was the only member of her crew who survived a June car bombing in Baghdad. Students found a way to receive messages in class by downloading a ringtone with a pitch so high teachers couldn't r it. **11.** As much as 75 percent of California's citrus crop was damaged in a January 2007 cold snap that lasted more n a week. **12.** Gerald Ford, the 38th president, died on Dec. 26, 2006, and was buried in Grand Rapids, MI.

On Sept. 6, 2006, British Prime Minister Tony Blair announced that the 2006 Labour Party conference would be his last. Apple Computer's new $499 iPhone was a major release at Macworld 2007. **15.** The death of former Chilean dictator gusto Pinochet prompted demonstrations of celebration. **16.** The family of Milena Del Valle filed a wrongful death suit after she was crushed by 12 tons of concrete in a "Big Dig" accident at the Boston highway construction project.

China successfully used a missile carrying a "kill vehicle" to blast an old Chinese weather satellite from its orbit 537 miles above Earth. U.S. government officials said that the test could undermine relations with the West and pose a threat to satellites important to the U.S. military.

A team of French doctors removed a cyst from a man's arm in a 10-minute mid-air surgery used as a feasibility study for possible surgery in space. The five-doctor team operated in near zero-gravity conditions produced by an Airbus 300 looping to create interval dives simulating weightlessness.

A Kansas teenager racked up perfect scores on the ACT and SAT. Jakub Voboril of Wichita got a 36 on the ACT on his third try. He received his SAT results shortly after the perfect ACT score: a perfect score of 2400. He did check out test prep books, but his advice: "Pay attention in class."

The baiji, a rare, nearly blind white river dolphin, is effectively extinct. Researchers say pollution and overfishing in the Yangtze River caused the species' demise. Plus, ship traffic there confused the sonar the baiji used to find food.

Americans won the Nobel prizes for physics (John Mather of NASA Goddard Flight Center and George Smoot from UC Berkeley with their satellite program that backed up the Big Bang theory), chemistry (Roger D. Kornburg from Stanford School of Medicine who studied how cells take information from genes to produce proteins), medicine (Andrew Z. Fire from MIT and Craig C. Mello from Harvard who discovered a way to turn off specific genes) and economics (Edmund S. Phelps from Columbia University for examining the trade-offs between inflation and its effects on unemployment).

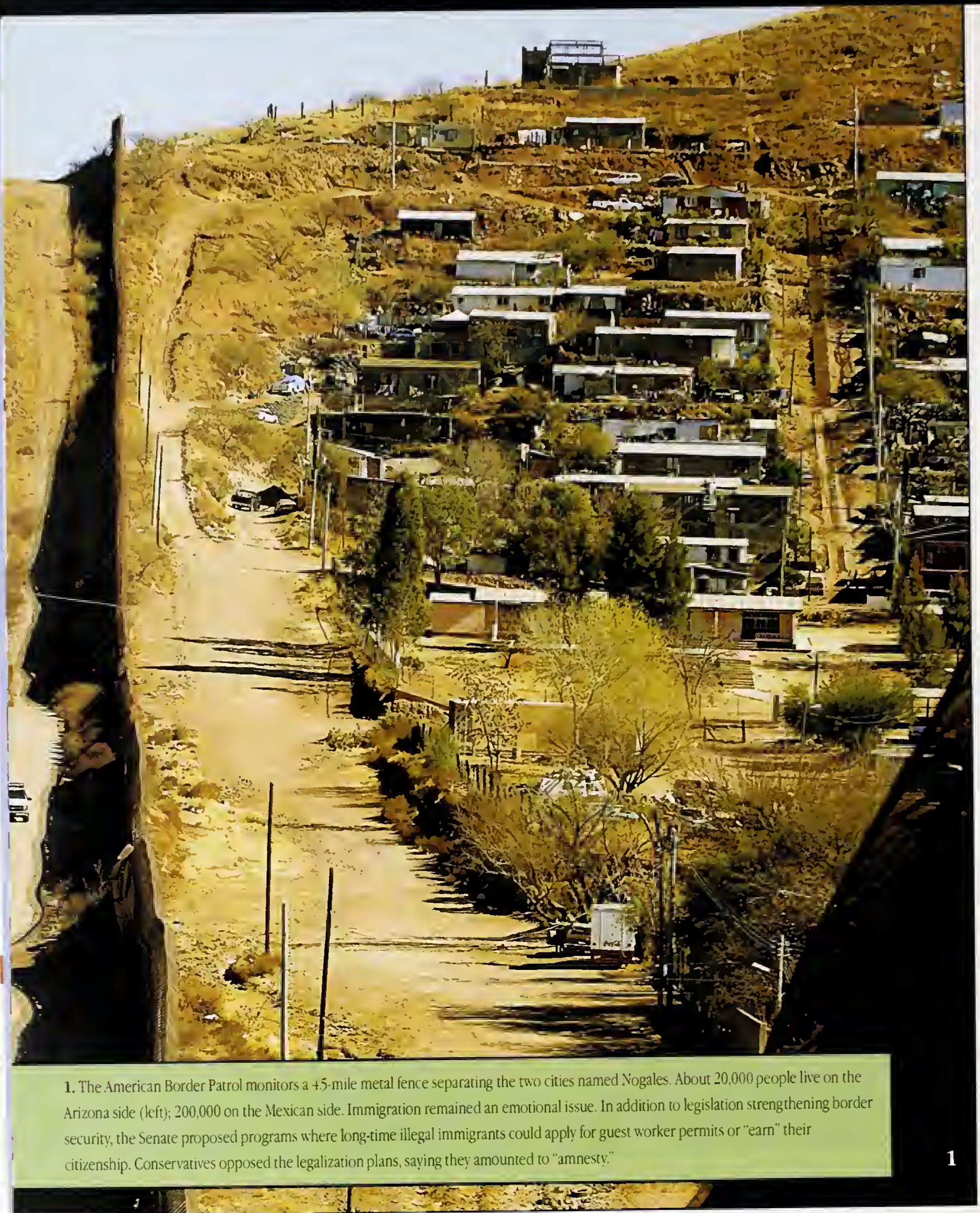
Houston truck driver Tyrone Williams was spared the death penalty and sentenced to life in prison for his role in the nation's deadliest smuggling attempt – a journey that ended in the deaths of 19 illegal immigrants crammed into a sweltering tractor-trailer, after Williams abandoned them and the rig.

13

14

15
ZUMA Press

16
NewsCom/REUTERS



**1.** The American Border Patrol monitors a 45-mile metal fence separating the two cities named Nogales. About 20,000 people live on the Arizona side (left); 200,000 on the Mexican side. Immigration remained an emotional issue. In addition to legislation strengthening border security, the Senate proposed programs where long-time illegal immigrants could apply for guest worker permits or "earn" their citizenship. Conservatives opposed the legalization plans, saying they amounted to "amnesty."

17
Protecting America

**17.** President Bush signed legislation in October authorizing tough interrogation of terror suspects and trials before military commissions. While Bush claimed that he knew the bill would save lives, the ACLU called it "one of the worst civil liberties measures ever enacted."

**18.** A 6.3 magnitude earthquake struck Indonesia on May 27, 2006, killing more than 5,800 and injuring 36,299. Thousands of aftershocks followed and hundreds of thousands were left homeless in central Java.

**19.** November releases of Playstation 3 and Wii were immediate sell-outs. Sony's 400,000 Playstation 3s cost $600, but Nintendo priced the Wii at $250 including one game and expected to sell 4 million units by year's end.

NewsCom/Roll Call

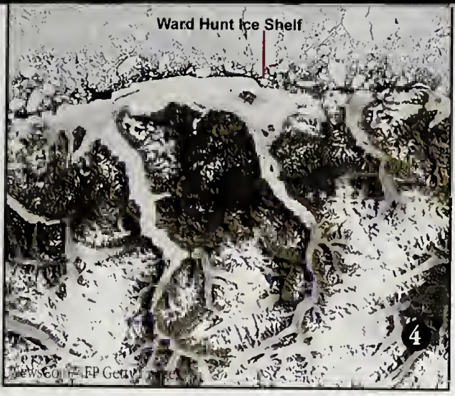
**2.** Congressman Bob Ney, R - OH, pleaded guil to federal criminal corruption charges and announced he would not seek re-election.

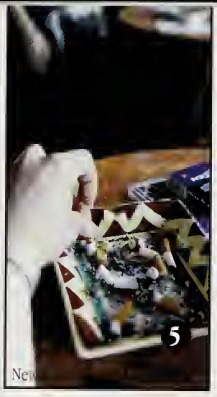
**7.** January was warmer than usual in many part of the country. Punxsutawney Phil predicted ar early spring on Groundhog Day, but bitter cold days of ice and as much as 10 feet of snow (in parts of upstate New York) typified February.

**13.** Animal rights activists were up in arms wh more than 50,000 dogs were slaughtered in China in a government-ordered crackdown af three people died of rabies. Only military dog and police canine units were spared.

**20.** Scientists documented more than 1,000 biological species unique to the Eastern Arc Mountains of Tanzania and Kenya. The area, which is slightly smaller than the state of Rho Island, is mainly forested.

NewsCom/PR NEWSWIRE





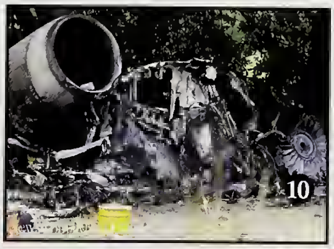
6
NewsCom/ALFRED/SIPA

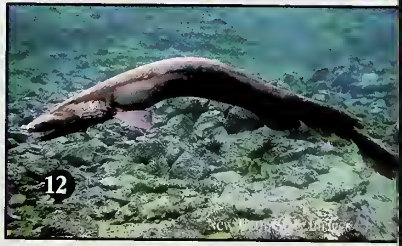
**3.** For these youngsters in St. Louis, fire hydrants were the only source of relief from July's heat after storms knocked out electrical power.

**4.** Citing climate change as a cause, scientists studied a giant ice shelf – the size of Manhattan – which broke away from an island south of the North Pole and was adrift as an independent island.

**5.** Findings from the surgeon general declared secondhand smoke at any level a hazard.

**6.** Fighting in Lebanon lessened after the U.N. Security Council passed Resolution 1701, but Hezbollah leaders insisted they would not drop their weapons.





**8.** Billionaire Warren Buffett announced that he would be donating the bulk of his wealth to charity, mainly the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

**9.** Health issues caused Cuban leader Fidel Castro, 80, to relinquish power to his brother, Raul, in July. Officials would not disclose his condition.

**10.** In August, a Lexington, Kentucky, crash killed 49 of 50 people aboard the Comair flight bound for Atlanta when the plane was assigned to a runway too short for safe take-off. New policies for air traffic controllers resulted.

**11.** Enron founder Kenneth Lay (who died in 2006) and former CEO Jeffrey Skilling were found guilty of fraud and conspiracy in Houston in July.

**12.** A frilled shark was captured on videotape south of Tokyo. These sharks are rarely seen because they live in water between 1,968 and 3.280 feet deep – which is deeper than humans can go. The shark died shortly after its appearance.

14
NewsCom/ZUMA Press

**14.** Warren Steed Jeffs, a polygamist sect leader on the FBI's Most Wanted List, was arrested near Las Vegas in August. He was wanted for arranging marriages between underage girls and older men. **15.** Timers hidden in pencils were discovered at several of the seven sites where bombs exploded on commuter trains in India's financial capital, killing 185.

**16.** Gas prices repeatedly hit record highs in July and August, averaging more than $3 for a gallon of self-serve regular when a technical fault and pipeline corrosion in BP's Prudhoe Bay oilfield in Alaska cut production.

**21.** Polar bears are considered a "threatened" species as scientists predict that global warming may eliminate their habitat entirely by 2040. The report said there is little doubt that global warming has been caused by human activities. **22.** A woman who disappeared in the jungles of Cambodia as a child was found 19 years later. The 27-year-old, who does not speak, was identified by a scar on her arm. She disappeared in 1988 while herding buffalo.

22
NewsCom/AFP/Getty Images

Blast injuries killed Al-Qaeda leader Abu Musab al-Zarqawi in June when bombs were dropped on the Iraqi safehouse where he was meeting with associates.

In October, searchers found bones believed to have been overlooked in searches following the 2001 World Trade Center attacks. Search officials identified dozens of areas to be re-examined; the active search to identify the dead ended in 2002. More than 40 percent of the 2,749 victims have never been identified with DNA matches.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed above 12,000 for the first time ever on Oct. 19, 2006, and remained above that lofty benchmark through year's end.

Concentration camp and incarceration records would be the first Nazi documents released under a plan to make millions of files stored in Germany accessible to Holocaust researchers. Holocaust survivors have waited decades to see records meticulously kept by the Nazis; transport documents and death lists, and notes on concentration camp inmates ranging from their hereditary diseases to the number of lice plucked from their heads are included.

At 14, Michael Perham, from Potters Bar in Hertfordshire, England, became the youngest person to sail solo across the Atlantic Ocean. He arrived in Antigua in January, seven weeks after setting off on the 3,500-mile journey from Gibraltar aboard the 28-foot boat, Cheeky Monkey.

Three climbers stranded after a fall on Oregon's Mt. Hood were rescued in February after spending the night amid ferocious winds and blowing snow. The two women and a man slipped off a ledge and fell about 100 feet in the process of descending from a winter climb and camping expedition interrupted by bad weather. In December, three members of a climbing party perished on the 11,239-foot mountain when the group became separated. After 10 days, searchers recovered one of the bodies in a snow cave and called off their work as another winter storm approached the area. The other climbers were presumed dead.

**1.** Women made history in Kuwait's June Parliamentary elections as it was the first time females were allowed to run for office and the first time Kuwaiti women were allowed to vote. **2.** The outbreak of illness linked to E. coli in spinach in September hospitalized 60 and caused a ban on bagged California spinach. Before year's end, another E. coli outbreak this one traced to lettuce and green onions served by the fast food chain Taco Bell and others sickened more than 7 who had patronized East Coast restaurants.

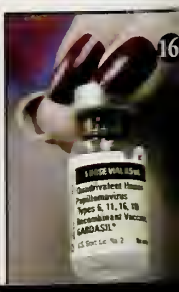
**3.** King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV, who reigned over Tonga's 170 islands in the South Pacific for 41 years, was buried in September. **4.** Microsoft's Windows Vista, the operating system that replaced Windows XP, was released too late for the holiday sales season after five years in development. **5.** Japan's long-running debate over whether women should be allowed to succeed to the throne ended in September when Princess Kiko gave birth to a son, Hisahito. The new prince is third in line for the throne behind his uncle and his father. **6.** Airline passengers faced new travel restrictions after British authorities uncovered a terrorist plot to use liquid explosives to blow up airplanes headed to the United States.

Down with KIM JUNG IL
7
NewsCom/AFP/Getty Images

**7.** After firing a number of test missiles during summer months, North Korea agreed to a deal to begin closing down nuclear arms program in exchange for $300 million in fuel and financial aid. **8.** Celebrations broke out in Baghdad w former dictator Saddam Hussein was executed by hanging in December.

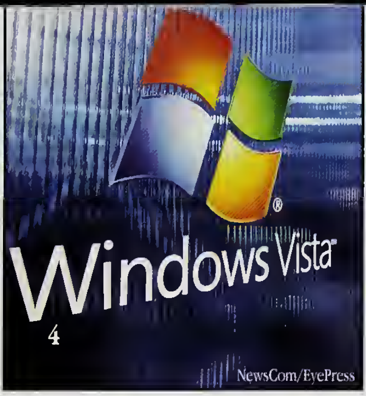
**10.** Former Soviet spy Alexander Litvinenko died in November after exposure to a radioactive poison. **11.** Sony mylo (my life online) was created to attract younger users with Web browsing, messaging, phone and digital music capabiliti

**12.** Entrepreneur Anousheh Ansari paid a reported $20 million to become the fourth private spaceflight participant. 1 More than 9.8 million acres burned during the 2006 fire season, the worst in 50 years. **14.** With the population of wild panda bears below 1,600, the Chinese began breeding in captivity. 30 cubs were born in 2006. **15.** Breaking the recor for American cars sold at auction, a 1966 Shelby Cobra sold for $5.5 million. **16.** The FDA approved a vaccine for cervic cancer in June and Merck and Co. began distribution. **17.** The Libyan Supreme Court overturned death sentences of fi nurses and a doctor accused of intentionally infecting more than 400 children with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.



3

NewsCom/AFP Getty Images



4

NewsCom/EyePress

5

LEFT
NO
LIQUIDS
OR GELS

6

9

**9.** In the nation's third deadly school shooting in less than a week, a milk-truck driver killed five female students before he shot himself. The Oct. 2 incident sent shockwaves through Nickel Mines, PA, a Lancaster County town where the one-room Amish schoolhouse was located. The gunman, who left notes for his family before heading to the school, was not Amish but was apparently acting out of revenge for something that happened when he was a boy. In other instances of school violence, deaths occurred in Bailey, CO; Montreal, QB; Sudbury, MA and Tacoma, WA.

⑩

MA Press

⑪

⑫

17

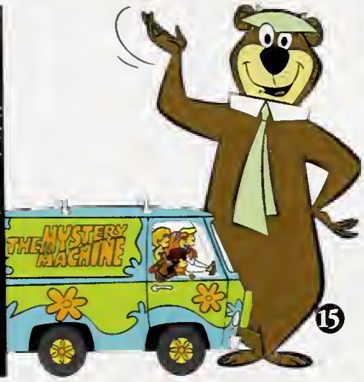
NewsCom/AFP/Getty Images

1. In June, President Bush designated a group of remote Hawaiian islands that cover 84 million acres and are home to 7,000 species of birds, fish and marine animals as the nation's 75th national monument. At the White House ceremony, Bush described the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands as "America's Galapagos" and revealed that the 139,000 square miles of uninhabited islands, reefs and atolls is more than 100 times the size of Yosemite National Park.

1

NewsCom/Getty Images

14



⑮

16

NewsCo

17

NewsCom/Pakistan Pre

14. For the first time in 12 years, Democrats won control of both the House and the Senate. Celebrating Democrats called the election a loud message from the American people.

15. Joe Barbera, of the famed Hanna-Barbera animation team which created Yogi Bear, the Flintstones, the Jetsons, Scooby-Doo and Tom and Jerry, died in December at age 95.

16. Montreal blogger Kyle MacDonald, 26, proved the power of the Internet when he bartered his way from a red paper clip to a home in Saskatchewan.

17. The disastrous cycle of drought and flooding cause death and damage worldwide. More than 500 died in th aftermath of Tropical Storm Bilis in China, Japan and th Koreas in July and floods killed 1,000 in Africa in Augu

ewsCom/Getty Images

NewsCom/KRT

REUTERS

5
AMERICA
BEGINS WITH
RAISING THE
MINIMUM WAGE
NewsCom

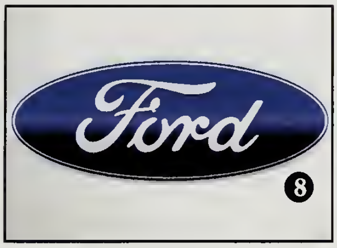
. When Katherine Jefferts Schori was elected residing bishop of the Episcopalian Church, she ecame the first woman to lead a province.

**3.** Ben Ownby and Shawn Hornbeck were found in the St. Louis-area apartment of a man who allegedly abducted them: Ben was held just four days, but Shawn had been captive nearly four years.

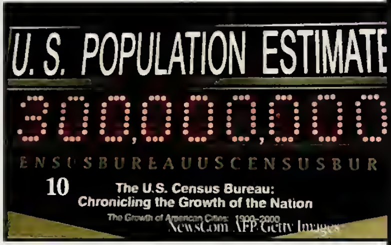
**4.** Marines guard the U.S. Embassy in Damascus, Syria, after a September attack by armed Islamic militants.

**5.** Ted Kennedy, D - MA, proposed a bill to increase minimum wage to $7.25 per hour over three years.

ewsCom/UPI



News


U.S. POPULATION ESTIMATE
300,000,000
ENSUSBUREAUUSCENSUSBUR
10
The U.S. Census Bureau:
Chronicling the Growth of the Nation
The Growth of American Cities: 1900-2000
NewsCom/AFP/Getty Images

. In August, a group of ternational astronomers ripped Pluto of its planetary atus, downsizing the solar stem to eight planets.

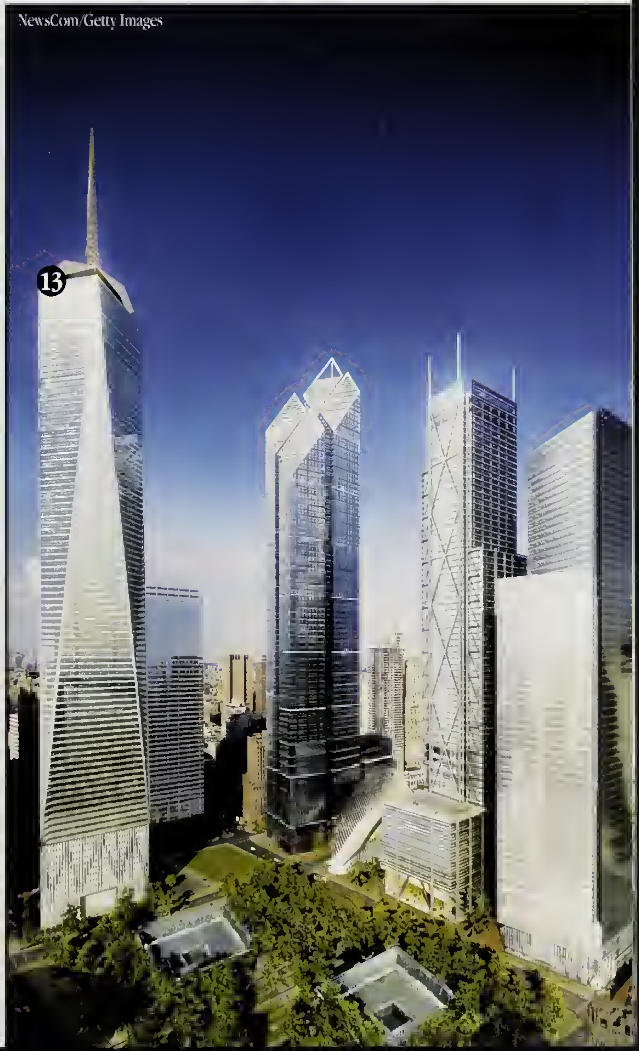
**7.** Though John Mark Carr confessed to killing JonBenet Ramsey, Boulder County (CO) district attorneys said DNA evidence showed otherwise.

**8.** Ford Motor Co. announced plans to close 14 plants and cut more than 25,000 jobs (20-25 percent of its North American work force) by 2012. The second-largest U.S. automaker is restructuring to reverse a $1.6 billion loss last year.

**9.** Teenager Zachariah Blanton admitted to a series of highway shootings in Indiana which killed one person, wounded another and damaged vehicles.

**10.** At 7:46 a.m. on Oct. 17, 2006, the U.S. population officially passed 300 million. The formula used in tracking population considered births, deaths and immigration. Only the countries of China and India are more populous.

ewsCom/Rough Guides


NewsCom/Getty Images

**1.** Archeologists found a village of small houses that may have sheltered those who built Stonehenge or housed people tending festivals there. **12.** Florida Representative Mark Foley resigned after it was revealed that he communicated appropriately with one or more former White House pages.

**3.** Plans were unveiled for the revised Freedom Tower at Ground Zero, which will be America's tallest building. The wer, a symbol of New York's revitalization after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, is scheduled for completion by 2011.

**8.** An earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale hit Hawaii in mid-October, causing a landslide that blocked a ajor highway. A state-wide disaster declaration was posted, but no fatalities were reported. A number of aftershocks, cluding one with a magnitude of 5.8, followed. **19.** Leading Internet search engine Google acquired YouTube for $1.65 illion in an October all-stock deal. YouTube founders Chad Hurley and Steve Chen each received shares of Google stock orth approximately $326 million, while an array of other employees and YouTube's venture capital backers shared the mainder. In other technology news, MySpace began distributing Amber alerts, which announce local child abductions.

18
HAWAII
KAILUA-KONA

19
http://www.myspace.com/
Google
YouTube
Broadcast
NewsCom

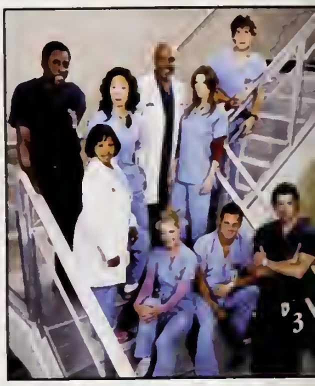
# TV MO

## POPULAR TV SHOWS

- My Name is Earl
- The Office
- American Idol
- Dancing with the Stars
- My Boys
- Studio 60
- 30 Rock
- Prison Break
- The Class
- Two and a Half Men
- Medium
- The Closer
- The Amazing Race
- The New Adventures of Old Christine

## HIT MOVIES

- DaVinci Code
- Mission Impossible III
- Ice Age: The Meltdown
- Talledega Nights
- You, Me & Dupree
- Gridiron Gang
- The Devil Wears Prada
- Open Season
- Grudge II
- Man of the Year
- Borat
- Happy Feet
- Casino Royale
- Click
- The Pursuit of Happyness
- Charlotte's Web
- Babel



1. ABC's "Ugly Betty" won the Golden Globe for best comedy and star America Ferrera was named best comedy actress.

2. NBC's new epic drama "Heroes" chronicles the lives of ordinary people who learn they have extraordinary powers. The show's premiere attracted 14.3 million viewers and received the highest rating for any NBC drama premiere in five years.

3. "Grey's Anatomy" was in the spotlight as th winner of the Golden Globe for best drama, b also because of internal issues regarding Isaia Washington's less-than-sensitive remarks.

5
NewsCom/
Daniel Padilla iPhoto

6
NewsCom/
Byron Purvis AdMedia

4. Hugh Laurie's title character in "House" (originally "House M.D.") won his second Golden Globe award in three seasons of the medical drama.

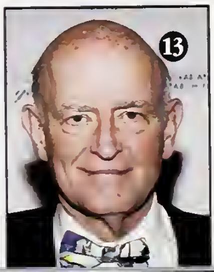
5. Mary J. Blige won Grammy Awards for Best R&B album, Best R&B Song and Best R&B Female Vocal Performance for "Be Without You."

6. Former "American Idol" champion Carrie Underwood won Grammy Awards for Best New Artist and Best Female Country Vocal Performance.

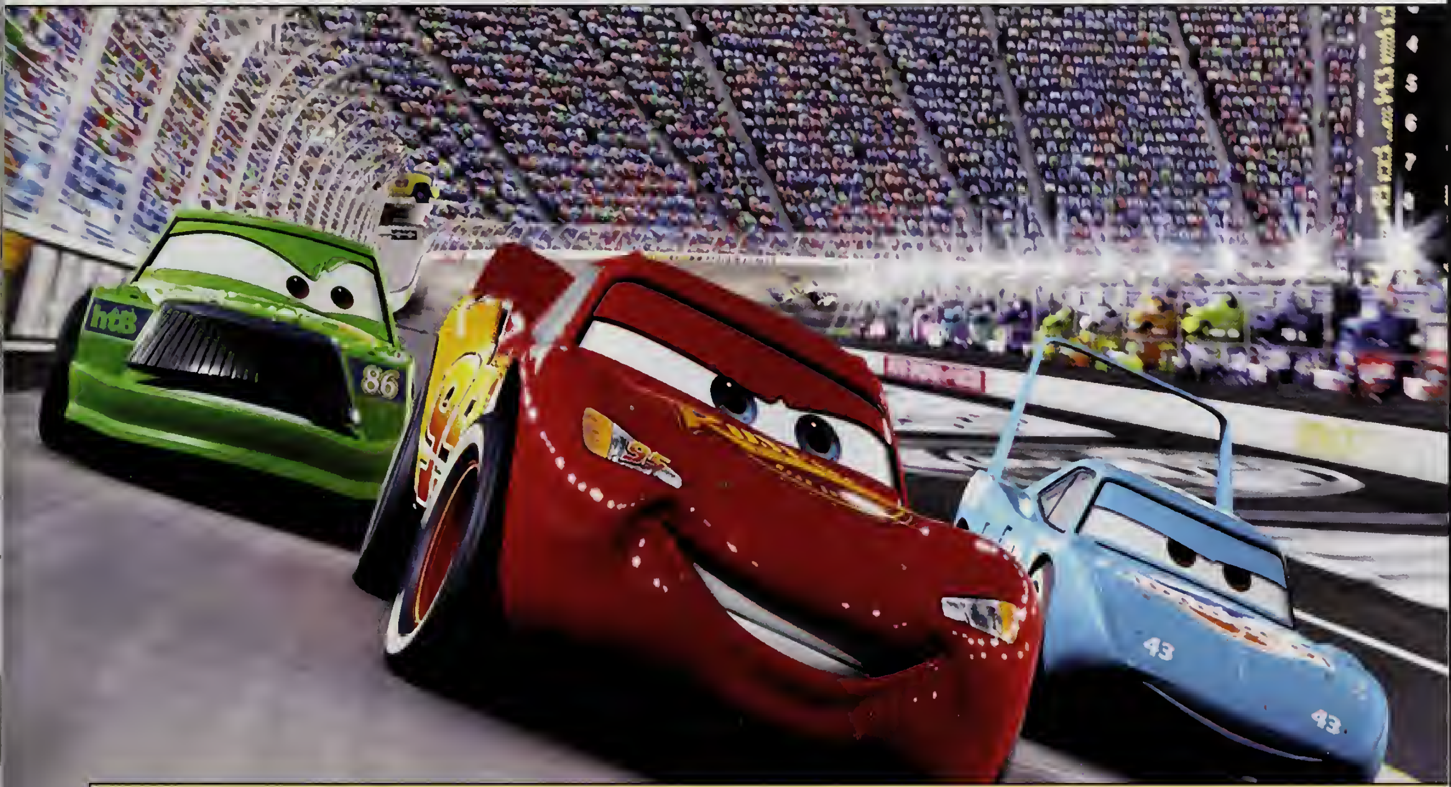
7. "X-Men: The Last Stand" broke the Memoria Day box office record, bringing in $234.3 in ticket sales. The thriller, which starred Hug Jackman, Patrick Stewart, Halle Berry and Ian McKellen, opened on May 26, 2006.

9. Jennifer Hudson won both the Oscar and a Golden Globe as best supporting actress in a motion picture as Effie White in the musical film "Dreamgir In March, the former "American Idol" competitor became the first African-American singer to be featured on the cover of Vogue. **10.** The Dixie Chicks collected five Grammy Awards, including Song of the Year, Record of the Year and Album of the Year. **11.** The award-winning serial drama "Lost" entere its third season following the lives of a group of plane crash survivors on a mysterious tropical island. Filmed on Oahu with an ensemble cast, the show one of television's most expensive to produce. **12.** In October, Reese Witherspoon and Ryan Phillippe announced their plans to divorce after seven yea marriage. They had two children: Ava 7 and Deacon, 3.

13. Emmy-winning actor, Peter Boyle, best known as the cranky father on "Everybody Loves Raymond," died in December at age 71. **14.** Brandon Routh donned the tights for the filming of "Superman Returns," which opened in June 2006. **15.** Actress/rapper Queen Latifah earned her star on the famous Hollywood Walk of Fame in January 2007. Hers was the 2,298th star to be featured. **16.** "Crocodile Hunter" Steve Irwin met an untimely death in Septem when a stingray barb fatally pierced his heart. His 8-year-old daughter, Bindi Sue, planned to follow in his footsteps with her own animal show on TV.



# VIES &



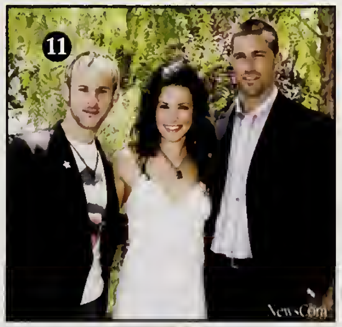
8. Produced by Disney and Pixar Animation Studios, "Cars," followed in the tracks of other John Lasseter successes and, like "Toy Story and "A Bug's Life," featured many familiar voices. In addition to Owen Wilson, Cheech Marin, George Carlin and Larry the Cable Guy, a host of racecar drivers like Richard Petty, Mario Andretti and Dale Earnhardt, Jr. brought the "characters" to life. Notable cameos included sports broadcaster Bob Costas as Bob Cutlass, Jay Leno as Jay Limo and the hosts of NPR's weekly "Car Talk" as Rusty and Dusty Rust-Eze.

8

9

10

NewsCom AdMedia



11

NewsCom

12

# USIC

**1.** When Justin Timberlake released his second solo album, "FutureSex/LoveSounds," in September, it debuted at number one on the Billboard chart, selling 684,000 copies its first week. He won Grammy awards for "SexyBack" and "My Love" and the album was nominated in two other categories. In addition, he starred in his biggest film role to date when he teamed up with Bruce Willis, Sharon Stone, Ben Foster and Emile Hirsch in "Alpha Dog," a January 2007 release about a young drug dealer and his involvement in a murder/kidnapping.

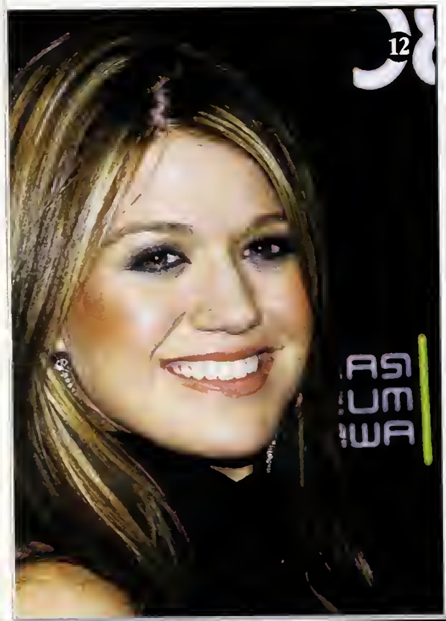
NewsCom/2007 Getty Images

NewsCom 2007

**2.** San Antonio Spurs point guard Tony Parker and actress Eva Longoria plan to wed in Franc in the summer of 2007

**5.** The CBS Evening News got a new look when Dan Rather retired after 44 years with the network. In September, Katie Couric, who left NBC's "Today" show in May, became the first s female anchor of a major evening news show.

**9.** The once-hot teenage soap, "The O.C" was cancelled as of Feb. 22, 2007 Creator Jos Schwartz said, "The finale will bring real clos to the story we began telling four years ago."



**12.** Kelly Clarkson, winner of "American Idol 2002, announced her partnership with NASC **13.** Singer/songwriter/guitarist John Mayer released his third studio album, "Continuum September. **14.** Shakira's "Hips Don't Lie" se record for most downloads sold in a single w

3
NewsCom/ABACAUSA.COM

4
wsCom/LILO/SIPA

**3.** Fox's "24" and Kiefer Sutherland won 2006 Emmys for Outstanding Drama Series and Best Actor in a Drama Series.

**4.** Johnny Depp returned to the big screen as Captain Jack Sparrow in "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest," which opened on July 7, 2006, with the top single-day gross ever.

6
ewsCom/WENN

**6.** Rachael Ray, Food Network show host, bestselling cookbook author and editor in chief of her own magazine, added talk show host to her resume.

**7.** Ben Stiller grew up just a few blocks away from Manhattan's Museum of Natural History, the setting of his 2006 movie "Night at the Museum."

**8.** Kenny Chesney, 2007 People's Choice Male Vocalist of the Year and 2006 CMA Entertainer of the Year, sold 1.3 million tickets in 2006 making his "The Road & The Radio" the most attended tour of any genre in North America last year.

**10.** President of Def Jam Records and rapper Jay-Z took on several new roles this year. In addition to "Kingdom Come," an album he describes as "mature and reflective," he made a documentary about the global water shortage. The U.N. hailed his efforts as humanitarian. **11.** James Brown, the "Godfather of Soul," died of pneumonia on Christmas Day at 73.

**15.** While wedding bell rumors persisted for Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie, Pitt told Esquire magazine that the couple had no plans to marry until "everyone else in the country who wants to be married is legally able." **16.** Ed Bradley, veteran CBS newsman who broke racial barriers at the network, died in November of leukemia. **17.** Taylor Hicks, a 29-year-old from Birmingham, Alabama, was named the fifth "American Idol." Hicks' fans, the "Soul Patrol," found his raw singing style, his crazy dance moves and his unlikely mop of grey hair irresistible. **18.** "The Departed," a remake of the popular 2002 Hong Kong crime thriller "Infernal Affairs," won four Oscars: Best Picture, Best Director (Martin Scorsese's first after seven previous nominations), Best Adapted Screenplay and Best Film Editing.

MTV celebrated 25 years on the air in August, 2006 and continued to expand coverage and affect programming with shows like "TRL," "Control Freak," "Road Rules," "My Sweet 16," "Real World" and "Underage and Engaged."

A Sacramento radio station fired 10 employees when a listener died following an on-air water drinking contest. While 18 contestants were vying for a Nintendo Wii console, a nurse called in to warn about water intoxication and was ignored.

Queen Elizabeth II bestowed honorary knighthood on U2's Bono, recognizing his humanitarian work, particularly his campaign against poverty in Africa.

A New Jersey eighth grader took home top honors – and more than $42,000 in cash and prizes – as winner of the 2006 Scripps National Spelling Bee. Katharine Close, the first girl to win since 1999, spelled "urspache" to win the televised bee.

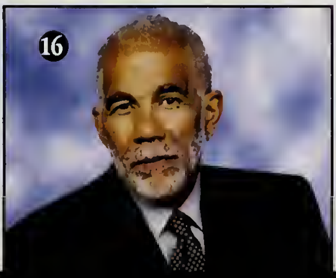
Anna Nicole Smith's death was surrounded by questions and controversy from the start.The blonde 39-year-old with a newborn, an ongoing estate battle and a tabloid lifestyle died in a Florida hotel on Feb. 8, 2007. Within days, three men claimed paternity of her five-month-old heiress daughter.

Weddings made news in the world of entertainment. Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes tied the knot in Italy in November 2006. In June, the former Mrs. Cruise, Nicole Kidman, married country star Keith Urban in her native Australia. Avril Lavigne and Sum 41 frontman Deryck Whibley had a summer wedding in California.

Hollywood divorces were in the news too.Britney Spears and Kevin Federline (2 yrs.),Heather Locklear and Richie Sambora (11 yrs.), Whitney Houston and Bobby Brown (14 yrs.), Pamela Anderson and Kid Rock (3 months) and Heather Mills and Paul McCartney (4 yrs.) all called it quits.

After 35 years as host of "The Price is Right" and 50 years in TV, Bob Barker, 83, will retire in June 2007.

15
NewsCom ABACA



18
THE DEPARTED
NewsCom/Splash News

# SPORT

1. Colts quarterback Peyton Manning attempts a left-handed shovel pass in the first-ever rainy Super Bowl. Despite the inclement weather which made it tough to control the ball, MVP Manning completed 25 of 38 passes for 247 yards and one touchdown in the Colts' 29-17 victory over the Chicago Bears. Super Bowl XLI, played in Miami, was a game of firsts. It was the first Super Bowl featuring a pair of black coaches, the Colts Tony Dungy became the first black coach to win a Super Bowl and the victory was the first ever NFL championship for the city of Indianapolis.

1

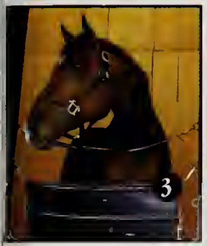
8

9

NewsCom/aiwire.com

10

. The Carolina Hurricanes, dismissed by many hockey fans and experts as the 2005-06 season started, won the Stanley up with a seventh game 3-1 victory over the Edmonton Oilers. The Hurricanes came back after losing Games 5 and 6. ookie goaltender Cam Ward was named winner of the Conn Smythe Trophy as the post-season MVP.

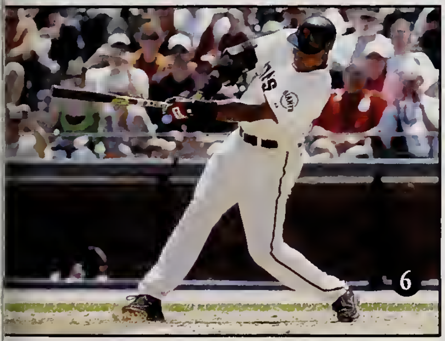


NewsCom/Getty Images

. Kentucky Derby winner arbaro was euthanized in nuary after months of health etbacks. The thoroughbred as injured in the Preakness.

**4.** Tennis ace Roger Federer became the first man ever to win both Wimbledon and the U.S. Open back-to-back three years in a row.

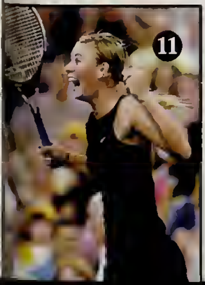
**5.** Maryland players celebrate after winning the 2006 NCAA women's basketball championships. The Terrapins beat Duke 78-75 in overtime to win the title. Sophomore Laura Harper, who scored 16 points, was the tournament MVP.



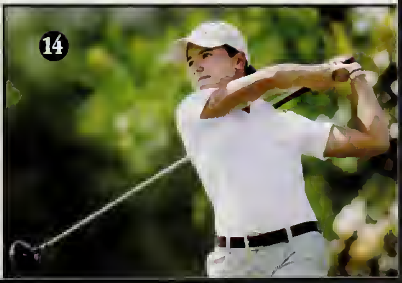
. San Francisco Giants star Barry Bonds broke Babe Ruth's record of 715 home runs in May. In pursuit of Hank Aaron's ecord of 755, he ended the 2006 season with 734 homers. **7.** Italian team captain Fabio Cannavaro celebrates his team's -3 OT win over France in the World Cup Soccer finals.

. Tiger Woods' winnings surpassed the $60 million mark and he won seven consecutive tournaments. **9.** Joakim oah and the Florida Gators won the NCAA basketball title and Noah was named the tournament's outstanding layer. **10.** Kevin Harvick celebrates after winning his first Daytona 500; he finished just .123 seconds ahead of Mark artin, who led the NASCAR season opener for 26 laps.

**1.** Third-seed Maria Sharapova won the U.S. Open, defeating No. 2-seed Justine Henin-Hardenne 6-4, 6-4. **12.** Norway's ndreas Wiig was the star of Winter X Games 11, winning gold medals in both Best Snowboard Trick and Snowboard lopestyle. **13.** Miami Heat coach Pat Riley and his team overcame a two-game series deficit to beat the Dallas Mavericks six games of the best of seven series. **14.** Lorena Ochoa was named the LPGA's Player of the Year.



NewsCom/REUTERS



When Tiger Woods won his 11th major championship in July 2006 by capturing the British Open, it was his first victory since his father, Earl, succumbed to cancer in May. While speculators wondered whether he'd be able to focus after the death, Woods continued toward Jack Nicklaus' record 18 titles when he captured his 12th a month later with a five-shot victory at the 88th PGA Championships.

The Tour de France victory went to an American rider for the eighth year straight as Californian Floyd Landis rebounded to win his fifth race of the year.

The Saudi first baseman in the Little League World Series attracted lots of attention during the August tournament in South Williamsport, PA. Aaron Durley, 13, stood 6-feet, 8-inches tall, weighed 256 pounds and wore size 19 shoes.

On Sept. 25, 2006, the Louisiana Superdome re-opened for the first time since Hurricane Katrina. The sold-out stadium went wild as U2 and Green Day sang "The Saints Are Coming," and the home-team Saints beat the Atlanta Falcons 23-3.

On Jan. 1, 2007, Texas Tech coach Bobby Knight became the winningest Division I college basketball coach when victory #880 put him ahead of former UNC great Dean Smith.

Retirement changed the landscape of American sports; Cowboys coach Bill Parcells called it quits after two Super Bowl titles and 19 years as an NFL coach, and 77-year-old Arnold Palmer played his last round of professional golf in October. Other retirements of note: Patriots QB Doug Flutie, 15-season Philadelphia Steelers coach Bill Cowher, Houston Astros slugger Jeff Bagwell and long-time Temple basketball coach and Hall of Famer John Chaney.

Fans mourned the loss of New York Yankees pitcher Cory Lidle, whose small plane crashed into a NYC apartment building, and Baseball Hall of Famer Kirby Puckett, who died of a stroke at age 45. Longtime coaches Red Auerbach (Boston Celtics) and Bo Schembechler (Michigan football) also died.

**1.** World Series MVP David Eckstein and the St. Louis Cardinals topped the AL Champion Detroit Tigers in Game 5 of the 102nd Fall Classic. Eckstein, went 6-for-9 with four RBIs in Games 4 and 5, hit the fourth-inning RBI groundout that brought home the winning run. The title was the Cardinals' tenth – the most of any NL team – but their first since 1982. Tony LaRussa became just the second manager in the history of baseball to win a series title in both leagues.

**2.** As the new American diplomacy envoy, five-time World Champion Michelle Kwan will travel the world promoting American values

**3.** Tennis great Andre Agassi retired with an emotional farewell at the U.S. Open after a third-round loss. **4.** Daytona 500 and Brickyard winner Jimmie Johnson eventually won the Nextel Cup title and was named Driver of the Year.

5
BenQ SIEMENS

6
2006 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS
100 YEARS

**5.** The most recognized soccer player in the world went Hollywood. David Beckham signed a deal worth a reported $250 million in salary and commercial endorsements to play with the Los Angeles Galaxy.

**6.** Bowl Championship Series MVP Chris Leak quarterbacked the Florida Gators to a 41-14 thumping of Ohio State and the national title. **7.** Serena Williams, ranked 81st, won the Australian Open, beating top-seeded Maria Sharapova.